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1. Re: Ft-847 and QB4.0

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-01 17:08:19 UTC
From: bryanst@us.ibm.com
Message-ID: <72mY7.689$dK4.8168@rwcrnsc52>
Source record: 5186

John, try this website for a list of 847 programs ==
http://my.en.com/~rayd/ft-847/FAQ/software.htm

Bryan, kc0cua

2. New Group for /\/\ GP-300 users

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-01 21:40:22 UTC
From: kd5jbn@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020101164022.06586.00000055@mb-fk.aol.com>
Source record: 5187

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/motorola-GP300

3. Re: Yaesu ft. 847 Mods

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-01 21:41:12 UTC
From: kd5jbn@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020101164112.06586.00000056@mb-fk.aol.com>
Source record: 5188

http://www.mods.dk

4. Re: Mobile Antenna for ICOM 706?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 01:34:13 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C326370.410E5B6@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 5189

if you want to use only one multiband antenna you will need a duplexer to split and combined signals but if all you want is 2 meters then you dont need to worry about it just run the 2 meter antenna to the 2 meter port on the 706

rljames wrote:

> New owner of ICOM 706 and novice amateur needs some advice...
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> two antenna connections at around 60MHz. However, I'd like to use only one
> antenna on my vehicle but still have full advantage of the 706.
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> to like the Firestik line style or similar.
>
> Thanx,
> Bob
> Rochester, NY

5. Icom 720A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 06:02:27 UTC
From: Veverka <wd4oay@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <BhxY7.348971$er5.8031862@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 5190

Looking for a power cord for the above radio. Please help...

6. Re: Interference From Computer Monitor

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 07:54:48 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a0uec8$k87$2@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 5191

Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net> wrote:
> Just put my P133 computer and Daytek 13" monitor next to my old rice box,
> the Yaesu FT-101E. Guess what? I have sync birdies and other crap all over
> the ham bands. This must be a common problem. Anybody got a solution? Also,
> my APC standby power unit contains an AC/AC converter that produces
> switching transients that appear as markers on the ham bands. Some have
> suggested that a FT101-E has a bandwidth one can drive a truck through but
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> as R.F. noise is concerned except for the above exceptions.

Yep. Ferrite beads on everything coming out of the computer.

I don't know about the APC unit. I have never seen that problem.

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Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

7. Re: Need Ideas for emergency drills

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 08:02:22 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a0ueqe$k87$3@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 5192

John Smith <radintp@post.com> wrote:
> Our local ARES group is planning for next years drills, and are trying to
> come up new ideas for it.One can do an earthquake drill only so many times
> before it becomes stale. Anyway, I would like to hear what ideas you might
> have for other drills that are different than the usual flood, earthquake,
> wildfire, hurricane, tornado, etc that are commonly used.

Volcano eruption? Invasion? Alien landing? Large meteor impact? Massive
solar flare? Proxima Centauri going supernova? National Guard attempts
a military takeover? Mayor goes berserk and blows up city hall?

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

8. English Language Amateur Publications

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 14:45:10 UTC
From: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net>
Message-ID: <3c331a15_4@corp.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 5194

I need to know the mailing address and web address if applicable for the
most prominent english language Amateur Radio publications in the following
countries. This is for advertizing purposes.

United States
Australia
United Kingdom
Canada

Thanks
John
VA3JQ

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9. Re: Mobile Antenna for ICOM 706?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 14:53:53 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C331EDC.2DDBCA@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 5195

if you dont have an antenna connected to the HF/6 meter port you wont hear
anything on those bands i dont know if anyone makes a duplexer for HF/6/2
there maybe one that does 6/2
so the best way is just run 2 different antenna mounts and antennas thats what
i have done i have a mag mount for 2 meters and i use the hustler resinators
for HF and 6 meters
good luck

rljames wrote:

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> antenna connection without an antenna won't I lose complete use of related
> freqs for both receive and transmit?
>
> "Dennis Kaylor" <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
> news:3C326370.410E5B6@tampabay.rr.com...
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> > > Bob
> > > Rochester, NY
> >

10. Re: Mobile Antenna for ICOM 706?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 15:17:32 UTC
From: rljames <rljames@netacc.net>
Message-ID: <3c32fb1b$1@news.netacc.net>
Source record: 5193

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11. Re: Interference From Computer Monitor

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-02 15:25:41 UTC
From: mikea@mikea.ath.cx
Message-ID: <VDFY7.11$jx.1242142@newssvr15.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 5196

Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org> wrote:
: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net> wrote:
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:> as R.F. noise is concerned except for the above exceptions.

: Yep. Ferrite beads on everything coming out of the computer.

: I don't know about the APC unit. I have never seen that problem.

No, nobody else has ever had this problem. We're all glad you
reported it, though. ;=)

Seriously, distance and shielding are the best cures.

Put big toroids on the APC's input and output, as close to the
case as you can get them. That'll keep _them_ from radiating
those switching transients via the cords. Consider putting some
(? unpolarized) electrolytics between the hot (and neutral?)
lines and the chassis of the APC, inside the case, if there's
room and it's out of warranty.

Make sure the computer case is _closed_ tight, and that you
have good metal-to-metal contact all around the sides and back.
You may wish to add a conductive mesh gasket to each side door,
or some such. Use metallic tape or (for empty card slots) slot
filler plates to block all holes in the back that aren't used for
cooling. Perhaps conductive screening over the fan, bonded to
the case all around the edge of the screen, would help and not
interfere materially with airflow.

With the above done, the front of the computer probably will leak
more than any other part -- except maybe the power supply. I have
some ideas on how to fit a hinged screen door around the front
of the case, with metal-to-metal contact all around, but they're
fairly obvious. If you do something like this, finger stock or
a conductive gasket may be useful.

The next step is to get a Tempest-rated PC, KB, mouse, and
monitor. Pity they're not available to civilians on an
unrestricted basis.

Others may have different ideas, and I'm interested in them.

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If books were designed by Microsoft, the Anarchist's Cookbook would
explode when you read it.
-- catfood@apk.net (Mark W. Schumann), in the Monastery

12. need rock for yaesu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-03 12:55:29 UTC
From: jeffory hall W4HQ <jhall5@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <EwYY7.359082$er5.8623434@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 5197

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need rock for 11 mtr for the ft101eee. please contact me at
jhall5@bellsouth.net 73 de w4hq
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Jeffory K. Hall
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13. High quality QSLs for reasonable prices

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-04 08:45:33 UTC
From: ua1oms@quadrat.ru
Message-ID: <19dcade3.0201040045.4013d89c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 5198

Dear HAM radio enthusiasts,

Our company provides quality QSL printing service forï¿½ affordable prices. Please visit our site to see what weï¿½ have to offer. Read testimonials and have a look at theï¿½ great QSL design we have. Should you be interested in receiving more information about our serivce - do notï¿½ hesitate to contact me at ua1oms@quadrat.ru or visit http://www.quadrat.ru/qsl/index.html

Look forward to hearing from you soon.

VY 73 es GL!

Serg Z. Demidov UA1OMS

14. Re: 2m Horizontal Loop Antenna Plans

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-04 11:02:27 UTC
From: Kim & Steve Merrill <buck0@mediaone.net>
Message-ID: <3C358D24.B49E9A5D@mediaone.net>
Source record: 5199
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

I have done some work in designing simple antennas for emergency communications on 2-Meters.

This is a link to my Ham page: http://people.ne.mediaone.net/buck0/hampage.htm
It contains designs for 4 different 2-meter collinear antennas, a 2-meter SSB Halo, and some information on Go-Kits.
The ARRL Website also has a link to this page located:
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/Yagi-V.html

This HALO design is not ground dependent and can be mounted atop a section of PVC. See comments! Easy to build. Cheep$$$

Some of my antenna designs are posted on the Erie County Chapters of ARES and RACES Website:
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Have fun building!
73s
Steve KB1DIG ;-)

Jason Dugas wrote:

> Hi,
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> I've heard that these small 2m horizontal loop antennas (sometimes stacked 2
> or 4 at a time) (also known as sqkloops?) are excellent for sideband. I see
> them offered for relatively cheap by KB6KQ(.com). However, my Dad and I are
> interested in building one for fun. Does anyone know if the plans for this
> type of antenna can be found in QST or in the Antenna book?
>
> We are interested in using one or two of them for 2m SSB (we're just getting
> started).
>
> Thanks for any help you can provide,
>
> Jason
> KB5URQ

15. Re: 2m Horizontal Loop Antenna Plans

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-04 11:08:21 UTC
From: Kim & Steve Merrill <buck0@mediaone.net>
Message-ID: <3C358E85.C14E6B2C@mediaone.net>
Source record: 4950
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

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> KB5URQ

16. Wanted: TCXO-6

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-05 12:45:50 UTC
From: rhansmeier <rhansmeier@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <2ACZ7.327$bp3.1034@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4951

I am looking for a TCXO-6 for my Yaesu Mark 5.

K7FU

rhansmeier@(nospam)attbi.com

17. Re: I resign.... (Another load of crap from Lloyd)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-05 19:23:37 UTC
From: "Stephen M.H. Lawrence" <smhlawrence.get_rid_of_thispart_to_reply@lycos.com>
Message-ID: <3C3752F4.28C79EC@lycos.com>
Source record: 4952
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,alt.2600,rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.shortwave

It's simple for anyone with CRIS access.

And *terribly* difficult for AOL to follow the trail...

73,

Steve Lawrece
Omaha, NE

KC8JBO wrote:

> "Stagger Milhaus Romain Fentworth Lee" <SLee@houston-hunks.com> wrote in
> message news:3C36FDCC.76EC185D@houston-hunks.com...
> > General Disaster wrote:
> > >
> > > Something about this supposed dialog between
> > > "Herb in St. Croix" and Lloyd struck me as being
> > > rather suspicious... especially the all-too-familiar
> > > spelling errors on the part of "Herb".
> > >
> > > I have a friend who works as a sysadmin at AOL.
> > > He did some checking behind the scenes. Lo and
> > > behold, "herbiebabykvf4z@aol.com" is a screen
> > > name which belongs to none other than Lloyd Davies!
> >
> > Your "friend" just risked his job.
> >
> > AOL has already fired people for giving out personal information without
> > a subpoena; namely, AOL people gave out information to the U.S. Navy
> > without clearing it with their bosses. They were subsequently fired by
> > AOL.
> >
> > Therefore, I find your story difficult to believe. Your own anonymous
> > status makes the story even less credible.
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>
> Anonymous coward and all-around fuckwit
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> revealed what a hypocrite he is in message
> news:3C36FDCC.76EC185D@houston-hunks.com :
>
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> status makes the story even less credible."

18. Re: Antenna MADE for AO-40 available

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-05 19:24:23 UTC
From: ME! <me@privacy.net>
Message-ID: <3C3752E7.AD371EA7@privacy.net>
Source record: 4953

What I think is:

You've posted this message a number of times to more than one news group.
That's considered spamming. How would you like to be reported to your
ISP and shut down? It can happen......

Not a news group cop - just a user that gets damn sick and tired of
repeat commercial messages on these news groups.

ME!

Glenn Rollins wrote:
>
> I have a website for the product I have developed and am now offering
> in the Amateur community. Please drop by and look around.
> This antenna is made especially for AO-40.
> It's about time. Hu? It is NOT a BBQ grill trying to be something
> else. This is the real thing. Please leave me a comment and tell me
> what you think if you like.
>
> http://www.n3iyr.com
>
> Thanks!

19. Re: I resign.... (Another load of crap from Lloyd)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-05 21:17:52 UTC
From: KC8JBO <kc8jbo@alt.net>
Message-ID: <a17u6i$f9e$6@dosa.alt.net>
Source record: 4954
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,alt.2600,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.shortwave

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> 73,
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Faggot Lee is a real dumbfucking illegitimate crack-whore's bastard who
doesn't know
a damn thing. All the unamerican Lee wants to do is take away freedom of
speech, he's a Taliban supporter.

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20. Re: Antenna MADE for AO-40 available

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-05 23:30:28 UTC
From: oneangryman@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <8c61e9d6.0201051530.37c18bd6@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4955

"ME!" <me@privacy.net> wrote in message news:<3C3752E7.AD371EA7@privacy.net>...
> What I think is:
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> You've posted this message a number of times to more than one news group.
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> repeat commercial messages on these news groups.
>
> ________
> ME!
>

He's willing to take a chance because he's to CHEAP to spend money on
REAL advertising. His antenna is probably just as cheaply built. When
I start seeing advertisments in QST for it then I MIGHT be
interested.............. BUT I DOUBT IT!!!!

Signed
One Angry Man

> Glenn Rollins wrote:
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> >
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21. Re: GMRS Repeater Issues / Quality

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-06 02:02:10 UTC
From: Carl <n7kuw@dropthisnospam.attbi.com>
Message-ID: <CeOZ7.9541$Sf2.108772@rwcrnsc52>
Source record: 4956

I'm not sure GMRS is really going to serve your purpose. You can't get an organizational or group license. Each individual user would have to obtain his/her own license in order to use GMRS radios/frequencies. Licenses require no test, but do cost something like $85 for 5 years.

As for repeaters, new cost anywhere from around $2500 on up, depending on brand, features, etc. That does not include duplexers, antenna, feedline, etc. Depending on your location, you may be limited in either antenna height and/or transmitter power/ERP (north of Line A, near Canada, has 5 watt ERP restriction/limitation). Again, limitations on whether GMRS is the right choice.

Carl

Tom Line <tline@shell1.iglou.com> wrote in message news:3c2c7b5f_1@news.iglou.com...
> What model of GMRS repeater is being seen as best quality these days? The
> motorola hand helds look good as well. Looking for something for large
> scouting events. Hand-helds and repeater(s). We might put a repeater on a
> school other times.
>
> --
> POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
> Tom Line
> tline@iglou.com
>

22. NEED MANUAL FOR ALINCO DJV5TH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-06 04:18:29 UTC
From: sefritts@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <3c37cfd6.204924@news.lig.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 4957

Hello,

I need the manual for an Alinco DJV5TH. can anyone help me?

Steve WA4GZE

23. WTB or TRADE for YAESU FT-757 GX II

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-06 14:20:09 UTC
From: richard ruiz <resacaga@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <dVYZ7.198381$BX4.11356874@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4958

looking to buy or trade for a Yaesu 757gx cat

Have Kenwood ts-520se base 10m. - 160m HF
Mic, manual, new tubes, 8.5 of 10
and a
Kenwood ts120s mobile 10m - 160m HF
mic, manual, 9+ of 10, works great as a base
not used as mobile clean.

William
KE6PJD

24. FT2200

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-06 15:10:39 UTC
From: manitoumagic@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20020106101039.08886.00002935@mb-mm.aol.com>
Source record: 4959

I need a manual for a Yaesu FT2200...

Anyone got one around I could get a copy of?

remove the 'nospam' in the return address to reply Tnx!

25. RS Police Call 2002 now posted in alt.binaries.cd.image

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-06 19:11:21 UTC
From: X-Eliminator <blalbla@aohell.com>
Message-ID: <r88h3uoua6qc5koe1h0hn00s4r65k4d7kp@4ax.com>
Source record: 4960

[No readable article body recovered]

26. ARNewsline 1273 - Jan 4 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-06 19:13:06 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020106141306.08107.00000028@mb-fi.aol.com>
Source record: 4961

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The Newsline Production Team

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1273 with a release date of Friday, January 4 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A “V-E team” finds a way to test kids in one of the most remote regions of the country and the FCC again says no to expanding PRB-. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1273 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO TESTING REACHES WHITE MOUNTAIN ALASKA

Ham radio examinations have finally come to one of the remotest areas of the nation. This, after a team of examiners from the W5YI VEC perform a fly-in examination session in White Mountain Alaska. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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White Mountain is a remote fishing village in the far North-West of Alaska. It’s major claim to fame is that its the next to the last checkpoint for the famed Iditarod dog sled race. And it wanted someone to come in and give ham

radio exams.

The closest big city is Nome. White Mountain is only about sixty miles from Nome but its over some rather treacherous terrain. There are no roads in or out and all supplies to White Mountain have to be delivered by plane or boat.

But White Mountain does ham a ham radio operator for its mayor. He is reindeer farmer Tom Gray KL0CQ. And one of its school board members is Eric Morris KL7HT. Both will tell you that a temperature of minus 40 degrees Fahrenheit and a wind-chill factor of minus 100 degrees is not uncommon in winter. These were the conditions faced by a four member W5YI VEC test team when it chartered a plane and flew in on December 11th to administer exams to four adults and fourteen youngsters who were determined to make ham radio a part of their life.

The trip which cost $800 for the flight alone was sponsored by the Seward Peninsula Amateur Radio Club. Braving the weather were examiners Ramon Gandia AL7X, Michael Nurse KL7UJ, Scott Webber AL7RJ and Thomas Busch NL7H. Al four are from Nome. Most of those to be tested came from the Bearing Strait School District’s only inland school. They had all been studying for their Amateur license as part of a search and rescue course. Neither the applicant or the VE team were disappointed. All eighteen passed the Technician class exam.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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Those involved in ham radio testing are keenly aware of the problems faced by remote areas of Alaska. At last July’s VEC Conference in Gettysburg Pennsylvania Jim Wiley KL7CC told the group that many applicants in Alaska are denied n Amateur Radio license exam due to the inaccessibility of their locations or the high cost of travel in that state. (W5YI)

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HAM RADIO AND THE LAW: FCC SAYS NO ON PRB-1 EXPANSION REQUEST

Ham radio has lost yet another battle against deed restrictions, but the war is not over yet. At least that’s what the ARRL appears to be saying in a bulletin that describes the latest skirmish with the FCC over this politically volatile issue.

In the latest round, the FCC has affirmed a November 2000 staff-level decision that declined to include privately imposed deed covenants, conditions and restrictions under the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1. That’s the federal government policy requires municipalities to ''reasonably accommodate'' amateur communication in antenna-related zoning and regulation.

The ARRL last year appealed to have the full FCC review the earlier denial. The Commission turned down the League's Application for Review December 18 in a Memorandum Opinion and Order released December 26. As a result, it now looks as if the ARRL will bypass any further dealings on this issue with the FCC and will look for congressional relief instead.

The FCC itself even hinted that Congressional action by the ham community might be a next logical step. Its memorandum, opinion and order of dismissal did note that if Congress were to see fit to enact a statutory directive mandating the expansion of the FCC’s reasonable accommodation policy that the Commission would expeditiously act to fulfill its obligation there under. Translated: If Congress tells the FCC to include deed restrictions under the provisions of PRB-1, it will be more than happy to do so. (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: PROJECT JJ - HE EAGLE HAS LANDED

AMSAT-NA's newest satellite project, known as Project JJ for the past year, now has a new and official name. This, as AMSAT North America President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, announces that effective January 1, 2002, the satellite will officially be known as 'Eagle'.

The name Eagle was submitted by Bill Allen, W7US, of Tucson, Arizona. It was selected from a list of forty-five names submitted by twenty-nine satellite operators.

For his winning suggestion, W7US will receive a free dinner at the annual AMSAT dinner held during the Dayton Hamvention. We will have more ham radio space related news later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (AMSAT-NA, ANS)

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BREAK 1

Welcoming in the new year with ham radio news coming to you from the United States of America. We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world, including the N7VGS repeater serving the Salt River Star Valley Wyoming and congratulating 13 year old Devin Cassity, on becoming the youngest ham in South West Wyoming. Devin is now KD7PHN.

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EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: NORTHERN CAL TOWN CHOOSES HAM RADIO

Ham radio started the year with some very positive public exposure in the Los Angeles Times. The January 1st edition featured an in depth article about a Northern California town that will tap into older technology to prepare for future emergencies.

Worried that a disaster will knock out e-mail and cell phones, Los Altos Hills has decided to turn to its local ham radio community and make it the primary back-up to normal disaster preparedness communications. And as you might expect, the hams are more than ready to oblige

The complete story can be read at the Los Angeles Times website. The complex URL is http://www.latimes.com/news/local/la-000000203jan01.story. (Highlighted by ARNewsline™)

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AMERICA AT WAR: POPCOMM COLUMNISTS SAYS “DONT TURN THE OTHER CHEEK”

Popular Communications writer Eric Force has some strong words that are obviously aimed at the pacifists who oppose the United States military retaliation against Osuma bin Laden and his al-Quida terrorist network. As a response to those he calls the “do-gooders of the world” who promote turning the other cheek, Force says to look, really look at the attack that brought down New York City’s World Trade Center twin towers. He then says that it could have struck a lot closer to them.

Force says and we quote: “Consider that it could have been you, your mom, dad, brother, sister other relative or a close friend in those planes and buildings who were terrorized, murdered and buried in the rubble.” He adds that just thinking about the incomprehensible terror, suffering and losses incurred by innocent human beings a the cowardly hands of international thugs continues to tear at his heart.

Force has dedicated his latest I-Waves column to the sights and sounds of September 11th that are available on the Internet and to the victims of the tragedy. Its a very compelling article. You can find it starting on page 66 of the January edition of Popular Communications Magazine that’s on newsstands right now. (PopComm)

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AMERICA AT WAR: FEDS TO AID NYC TV STATION REBUILD

New York television stations will be getting federal help rebuilding transmitters that were destroyed in the September 11th terrorist attack on the World Trade Center. A total of ten New York area stations will receive eight point two million to offset the thirty million to forty million dollar price tag for purchasing and
constructing a new transmission facility.

According to the Broadcasting and Cable newsletter, Senator Charles Schumer managed to secure the funding as addition to emergency aid appropriation for victims of the attacks. As previously reported, there is some speculation that the replacement transmitting facility could be a 1500 to 2000 foot high stand-alone tower constructed near the former site of the Twin Towers. (Broadcasting & Cable)

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ENFORCEMENT: NAL CANCELED

The FCC has canceled a proposed ten thousand dollar fine that it had issued to Jeffrey Alan Pettrey, This, for his apparent violation of Section 301 of the Communications Act involving operation of an unlicensed radio transmitter.

Back on July 30, 2001, the District Director of the Commission's Columbia, Maryland Field Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Pettrey for the infraction. Pettrey filed a response to the N-A-L on August 7, 2001 accompanied by documentation regarding his

inability to pay the proposed fine. After reviewing Pettrey's response, the FCC conclude that cancellation of the proposed $10,000 forfeiture is warranted based on Pettrey’s inability to pay. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC CANCELS CONVICTED HAMS LICENSE

The FCC has canceled the Amateur license of Kenneth P. Kelly, WT2FBI, of Greensboro North Carolina after Kelly failed to show up for a re-examination. But at the time of the FCC retest order Kelly was otherwise occupied. He was fighting criminal charges in relation to a jamming case in Ohio. We have this report:

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On November 30, 2001, Kenneth Kelly, the ex-WT2FBI was sentenced to 5 years probation by the Judge H. J. Bressler in a Butler County Ohio court. He had previously been indicted on a 4 th degree felony charge of disrupting public service by his jamming and talking on the Middletown Ohio police radio system.

At his hearing, Kelly agreed to a plea bargain. He admitted his guilt to a reduced charge attempted disrupting public services. At the time the FCC pulled his ham radio ticket Kelly was being held in the Butler County Ohio Jail pending sentencing.

By way of background, a person later proven to be Kelly was first noticed on the Middletown police radio channel the third week of July 2001. Initially the police dispatch radio system was not recording him but that was soon remedied by city radio technicians. After several days of taping, it was observed that the voice on the police radio was similar to one heard on the local 2 meter Amateur frequencies.

Several members of the Dial Radio Club then assisted police by monitoring and taping Kelly on the 2 meter band. Tapes from 2 meters and from the police were then voice printed the aid of computers to check similarities. Dial club members also tried to direction find and locate the signal both on 2 meters and on the police channel.

Through some luck, detectives working with a metro housing police officer and discovered that Kelly was now living in their jurisdiction. After they interviewed him, they felt that he was the person interfering. As the investigation progressed, he admitted to detectives that he may have accidentally transmitted on their frequency by accident. He claimed that his signal may have been mixing with an FM broadcast station and another ham repeater.

But Police did not believe it was accidental, because he was taped trying to talk directly to the police dispatcher and the cars. Later Kelly did admit his guilt and entered into the plea bargain. Now sentence has been passed by both the local court and the FCC.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Burt Hicks, WB6MQV, reporting.

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When he was finally caught Kelly had a Yaesu VX-5 hand held in his possession that had been modified to transmit out of band. The assistance of the Dial Radio Club members is credited with helping to solve this case.

Note: Information and documents from the case can be obtained from the Butler County Ohio Clerk's office or online at: http://www.butlercountyclerk.org/ Click on Butler County Court Records Search. Then enter Kenneth Kelly. (FCC, Dial ARC, others)

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ENFORCEMENT: MITNICK TO FIGHT TO KEEP HIS HAM LICENSE

Another ham who appears to be getting ready to do battle with the FCC is former computer hacker turned talk show host Kevin David Mitnick, N6NHG. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF has the latest:

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As reported last week, the FCC is challenging Kevin David Mitnick's request to renew his ham radio license. The agency claims that his criminal background raises a substantial and material question of fact as to whether Mitnick possesses the requisite character qualifications to be and remain a commission licensee.

Now, N6NHG has told the U-K Newspaper the Register: "It's just another example of them trying to harass me. Now I've got to spend money to keep a ham license."

Mitnick insists that he has totally abandoned his former ways. The Register article notes that that he was recently called to testify before Congress on federal computer security matters. Also that he spent two days briefing the U-S Commission on National Security on these issues. Mitnick tells the Register that he cannot understand why the government is now questioning his character.

Mitnick is currently the host of the radio program called The Dark Side of the Internet. It airs in the Los Angeles area from 5 to 7 a.m. Sunday mornings over radio station KFI 640 AM. And in a recent appearance on Coast to Coast A-M hosted by Art Bell, W6OBB, Mitnick said that he is hoping for a career in computer security once his term of supervised release from prison has been completed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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The complete Register story and interview with Mitnick is on the web at a rather long and complex U-R-L. You will find it at http://www.theregister.co.uk/content/55/23494.html (Adapted from the Register)

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INTERNET SECURITY: CIA GOES OUT OF ENCRYPTION COMPANY FUNDING

And speaking of Internet security, word that a Central Intelligence Agency funded company that allowed Web surfers to browse anonymously has closed. According to news reports, Emeryville California based SafeWeb enabled Internet users to gain access to the World Wide Web and browse sites through its encrypted service. This made their on-line habits and history untraceable. In the 2000 - 2001 fiscal year, SafeWeb received one million dollars in funding from the U-S Central Intelligence Agency's venture capital arm. (published reports)

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BREAK 2

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, with links to the world from our only official website - www.arnewsline.org.

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: AMATEUR RADIO TRADER CEASES PUBLICATION

Ham radio Internet auction sites may be responsible for a twice a month ham radio equipment sales magazine going away. This, after Amateur Radio Trader magazine announces that it has ceased publication.

According to Editor Barbara Patterson, KF4MMV, the Amateur Radio Trader was no longer a viable product. She says that the firm will be redirecting its resources into other areas.

Meantime, the company has also pulled its amateuradiotrader.com website off line. But unlike other publications which have gone under, in this case subscribers are being reimbursed for any outstanding issues. In addition to handling buy and sell ads, Amateur Radio Trader also donated page space to advertising the annual Newsline Young Ham of the Year award. (ARNewsline™)

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HAM RADIO HERITAGE: MAKING WCC A PART OF THE FUTURE

A ham is campaigning to preserve part of radios past and have it become a part of the future. This as Lewis Masson, K1LJ-S, says that the town of Chatham Massachusetts should convert the site of radio station WCC into an Amateur Radio station along with a training curriculum to teach the kids in the area about communications technology.

WCC is one of the original Marconi Marine Radio Stations. Masson is an ex-marine telex operator at WCC. The site was recently turned over to the town of Chatham and Masson believes it is important to preserve the operations building as an operating amateur radio station and keep the hotel building as a museum to preserve and display memorabilia.

Masson says over the Internet that he has formed a committee to work on this project and that they are looking for nationwide support for this campaign. If preserving the past as an investment in the future is of interest to you, please contact K1LJS by e-mail to lemasson@juno.com. (Internet)

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SPECIAL EVENTS: HAM RADIO UNIVERSITY 2002

A reminder the third annual Ham Radio University event takes place on January 20, 2002. Location is the Babylon Long Island New York Town Hall Annex with the doors opening at 9 a-m Eastern time.

Ham Radio University is a day of education about Amateur Radio. This there will be twenty, one-hour presentations with special forums geared to the non-ham as well as the experienced Amateur Radio operator. The focus will be "hands on" with many demonstrations. Besides the forums, there will be tables set up with information about the different groups, ham radio classes, exam session schedules, public service and other activities.

For more information about Ham Radio University, please contact its Chairman Phil Lewis N2MUN by e-mail to n2mun@optonline.net. You can also get in touch with ARRL New York and Long Island Section Manager, George Tranos N2GA by e-mail to n2ga@arrl.org. Also check the Ham Radio University website for a full list of forums, directions and talk-in information. Its in cyberspace at www.arrlhudson.org/nli/hru2002.htm (N2DO)

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HAM RADIO RECORDS: BEST OF THE WEST AND VHF CONTEST HONOR ROLLS

Tim Marek, K7XC, says that he has updated W6 / W7 & "Best In The West" VHF Contest Honor Rolls. They are now available at the following web sites.

http://k7xc.tripod.com/VHF_Records/index.html s the stand alone records page. http://k7xc.tripod.com/K7XCweaksignal/ is where individual links can be found to each contest. (VHF Reflector)

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HAM RADIO SCIENCE: NEW 6 METER PROPAGATION BEACON IN WASHINGTON STATE

Rich Ewing, KO7N reports over the VHF Reflector that Bruce Shurtz, W7BAS, has installed a propagation beacon in gridsquare CN87TG near Kennmore Washington. It operates on 50.069 MHz putting out 10 watts to a 5 element yagi pointing 90 degrees. The beacon is operational 24 hours a day, seven days a week. QSN reports go to W7BAS, at his callbook address. (VHF Reflector)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: VERY FEW LAUNCHES

Peter Guezlow, DB2OS, reported that 2001 has turned out to be the slowest year for space launches in nearly 40 years. Ham radio or otherwise. According to DB2OS, only 58 flights reached orbit, and there was one complete failure.

Guezlow says that historians note that we must look back to 1963 to find a year that produced fewer launches. He says that in 2000 there were 82 launches to orbit plus three failures. By contrast the most productive year was 1984 when 129 launches delivered payloads into orbit.

But there is at least one bright note. Russia successfully placed five satellites into orbit recently after launching them aboard a Zenit rocket. The cargo rocket, carrying three Russian, one Moroccan and one Pakistani satellite, took off from the Baikonur space center in Kazakhstan. (AMSAT, ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW INDIA WEBSITE

The AMSAT-India website has been officially launched recently by the government of India and the Department of Space. VU2POP says that you can check it out by taking your browser over to www.amsatindia.org. (ANS)

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CONTESTS: HUNTING LIONS ON THE AIR

The 31st annual Hunting Lions in the Air contest will take place on the weekend January 12th to the 13th. The contest period will be 48 hours and will run from midnight UTC Friday night to midnight UTC Sunday night, and all hams are welcome to participate.

According to its sponsors, the objective of this operating event is to create and foster a spirit of international understanding and cooperation among radio amateurs and members of the Lions Clubs through the use of world-wide radio communication. The contest also commemorates the birthday of Melvin Jones, the founder of the Association of Lions Clubs who was born at Ft. Thomas, Arizona on January 13, 1879. (Q-News)

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DX

In DX, word that the recently postponed Ducie Island Dxpedition is on again for March. Ducie Island became a DXCC entity last November and it immediately jumped to the top of the most wanted contact list. But rough seas scuttle the first attempt to put it on the air. (RSGB)

Meantime 6 meters continues to be the V-H-F D-X band of choice. On Monday December 31st, Kevin Bishop WB8XX, says that he started hearing O-H-1-X-T at 1300 U-T-C on a backscatter path. From then on until 1620 U-T-C he worked 8 new countries and over thirty new grids in Europe and Asia. (VHF Reflector)

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STRANGE TECHNOLOGY: ARE CELLPHONES KILLING GHOSTS?

Now, from radio communications to the effect of radio communications on supernatural communications. This, as a British expert who has spent years researching the occult says that cellular and other mobile phones are killing off ghosts. Don Wilbanks KC5MFA has the details:

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No, we are not kidding you. In fact, Tony Cornell, of the Society for Psychical Research, has told the London Sunday Express that reports of ghost

sightings started to decline when mobile phones were introduced 15 years ago.

According to Cornell, ghost sightings had remained consistent for centuries. In fact, until three years ago the society received one or two new ghost sighting reports every week. But with the introduction of mobile phones 15 years ago, ghost sightings began to decline to the point where they are not receiving any.

And why are there no longer any ghosts being observed? Apparently paranormal events, which many scientists attribute to unusual electrical activity, my be drowned out by the electronic noise produced by cellular telephones and text messaging pager transmitters. And according to the newspaper, the lack of ghost sightings could adversely impact on the nations economy. It says that haunted tourist attractions in Britain could be under threat if the number of cellphones continues to grow from the present figure of about 39 million now in use in the U-K.

Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA.

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And all of this begs that one question be asked. If ghosts are the spirits of the dead, how can anything actually kill them? (Science Today)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Mert Garlick, N6AWE, saying welcome to the year 2002, 73 and we thank you for listening."
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END NEWSCAST - RAIN PROMO

27. "ATTENTION HEATHKIT COLLECTORS!"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-06 23:27:44 UTC
From: Ray Pilon <rpilon@c4.com>
Message-ID: <a1amal$7v7$1@news.storm.ca>
Source record: 4962
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

I have a variety of Heathkit HF transceivers for sale, for more information please see the following web-link.

http://www.geocities.com/ve3vkh/index.htm

thank you

ve3vkh@rac.ca

28. Re: Mobile Antenna for ICOM 706?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-07 05:12:42 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <e7a_7.3294$O3.1520893@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4963

You should have picked up the Yeasu FT-100 and the ATAS-100 antenna. That is the down fall of the 706 is that you have to grow an antenna farm to use it.

"rljames" <rljames@netacc.net> wrote in message news:3c306354$1@news.netacc.net...
> New owner of ICOM 706 and novice amateur needs some advice...
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> As I understand my owners manual the ICOM internally switches between its
> two antenna connections at around 60MHz. However, I'd like to use only one
> antenna on my vehicle but still have full advantage of the 706.
>
> So, I guess the question is, How do I best do this? Would most likely want
> to focus on 2Meter band. Don't want elaborate (expensive) antenna and tend
> to like the Firestik line style or similar.
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> Thanx,
> Bob
> Rochester, NY
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29. ADMIN: Question on Ads

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-07 09:13:45 UTC
From: lokust@excite.com
Message-ID: <4ab204f.0201070113.34a54c7@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4964

Question for admin, should he/she exist: may I post history-related auction ads here?

http://prahacamera.n3.net

30. CircuitMaker 2000 now posted in alt.binaries.cd.image ($785.00)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-07 17:04:18 UTC
From: X-Eliminator <blalbla@aohell.com>
Message-ID: <78lj3ugssep75d5930tuaulu2bqscv3a7q@4ax.com>
Source record: 4965

http://www.hvwtech.com/circuitmaker.htm

31. utility frequencies for greenland and Faroe Islands

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-07 21:41:58 UTC
From: Brian <houge@smart-tech.dk>
Message-ID: <3c3a1620$0$37870$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 4966
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur

Hello.

Can anyone help me with a page for subject.

Thanks.

/Brian OZ1SKY.

32. FA: Motorola UHF 6 Ch. Ht-600 w/Batt chg Free Prog.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-07 21:54:16 UTC
From: kdogg150@aol.com1587
Message-ID: <20020107165416.25507.00000435@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 4967

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1319435493

33. Renewing amateur license

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-08 02:08:12 UTC
From: KWA <junkmail@junkmail.com>
Message-ID: <gws_7.345$zk4.325658@typhoon.columbus.rr.com>
Source record: 4968

Hi,

I moved and I want to update my license and renew it. Is there a place on the FCC web site that will allow me to renew/update my license?

I have been away from ham radio for many years. I read some about the recent license class restructuring. If I have a General Class license now, will it remain a General Class license?

Any info appreciated! Thanks, Keith N8AQR

34. Re: Renewing amateur license

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-08 03:07:03 UTC
From: gdsnkl@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <3c3a5fdd.3380005@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4969

On Tue, 08 Jan 2002 02:08:12 GMT, "KWA" <junkmail@junkmail.com> wrote:

>I moved and I want to update my license and renew it. Is there a place on
>the FCC web site that will allow me to renew/update my license?
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Yes, you can, and with the delays in mail to government offices,
definitely much faster. You need to register in the CORE system, which
includes the ULS system. Once you have done this, you want to go in
and make an "administrative update" to your license. Renewals can also
be done if your current one has not expired (with address change all
at once). If you have lapsed more than a (one year?) grace period, you
have to retest. You would have to check with a VE group to find out
how much of retest you would need.

The latest changes in November really improved the system from the
original.

>I have been away from ham radio for many years. I read some about the
>recent license class restructuring. If I have a General Class license now,
>will it remain a General Class license?
>
Once you have a license, you can keep renewing it and have the same
privileges. This includes the Novice and Advanced ones, even though no
NEW ones have been issued since the restructuring in 2000.

HTH,
Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

35. Laptop and PSK31

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-08 10:20:48 UTC
From: Mike Williams <mikerw@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <B8607783.C0FA%mikerw@btinternet.com>
Source record: 4970

Hi all

I have a Compaq Armada 7730MT and would like to use it for PSK31.

Unfortunately I do not have a manual so do not know how to get at the 'line out' and 'line in' connections.

Can anyone help please

73s

Mike
M0MRW

36. Re: Laptop and PSK31

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-08 14:27:09 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C3B018E.4969A587@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4971

hey mike
i am not familar with that laptop but you should be able to go to compaqs website to get a copy of the manual
also if your computer plays sounds thru a couple of built in speakers there should be a access panel across the back or side that will have a small headphone type jack or two one maybe labled mic rather than line in
good luck

Mike Williams wrote:

> Hi all
>
> I have a Compaq Armada 7730MT and would like to use it for PSK31.
>
> Unfortunately I do not have a manual so do not know how to get at the 'line
> out' and 'line in' connections.
>
> Can anyone help please
>
> 73s
>
> Mike
> M0MRW

37. need power cord ofr ft101ee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-08 21:06:15 UTC
From: jeffory hall W4HQ <jhall5@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <k4J_7.249803$BX4.13822344@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4972

hello need a/c power cord for a yaesu ft101ee. tnx de w4hq jeff hall in west palm beach, fl. jhall5@bellsouth.net

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Jeffory K. Hall

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Jeffory K. Hall

38. Starting in radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-08 22:59:45 UTC
From: malkith0@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <6c6bd29d.0201081459.7a87a5e5@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4973

Hey, I'm thinking of starting up on radio broadcasting with a talk station, 24/7. What do I need in order to get started, like an antenna... equipment, etc... Also, how much will all of this cost? Thanks.

39. Re: Starting in radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-09 00:12:54 UTC
From: mikea@mikea.ath.cx
Message-ID: <aWL_7.453$dw6.118373521@newssvr17.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4974

Malkith0 <malkith0@hotmail.com> wrote:
: Hey, I'm thinking of starting up on radio broadcasting with a talk
: station, 24/7. What do I need in order to get started, like an
: antenna... equipment, etc... Also, how much will all of this cost?

You can expect to pay a _lot_ of money for an AM broadcast
station license, assuming you can even get one in your area. The
FCC may not even have any allocations for your area, or only for
a relatively low-power station.

I'm not at all sure where to start the process of starting up a
broadcast station from scratch. Perhaps there are broadcast
consultants or whatever who have expertise in this.

One thing is certain: as I wrote above, it's going to cost a lot.

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If the Internet is an electronic frontier, spammers are cattle
rustlers on the electronic frontier.
-- Bob McClenon <06/08/01 22:04 -0400>

40. Re: Renewing amateur license

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-09 03:58:38 UTC
From: KWA <junkmail@junkmail.com>
Message-ID: <OdP_7.2042$zk4.1349103@typhoon.columbus.rr.com>
Source record: 4975

Thanks!!

"Gary S." <gdsnkl@bellatlantic.net> wrote in message
news:3c3a5fdd.3380005@news.bellatlantic.net...
> On Tue, 08 Jan 2002 02:08:12 GMT, "KWA" <junkmail@junkmail.com> wrote:
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>
> >I moved and I want to update my license and renew it. Is there a place
on
> >the FCC web site that will allow me to renew/update my license?
> >
> Yes, you can, and with the delays in mail to government offices,
> definitely much faster. You need to register in the CORE system, which
> includes the ULS system. Once you have done this, you want to go in
> and make an "administrative update" to your license. Renewals can also
> be done if your current one has not expired (with address change all
> at once). If you have lapsed more than a (one year?) grace period, you
> have to retest. You would have to check with a VE group to find out
> how much of retest you would need.
>
> The latest changes in November really improved the system from the
> original.
>
> >I have been away from ham radio for many years. I read some about the
> >recent license class restructuring. If I have a General Class license
now,
> >will it remain a General Class license?
> >
> Once you have a license, you can keep renewing it and have the same
> privileges. This includes the Novice and Advanced ones, even though no
> NEW ones have been issued since the restructuring in 2000.
>
> HTH,
> Happy trails,
> Gary (net.yogi.bear)
> --
> at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence
>
> Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
> Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

41. Re: Starting in radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-09 13:40:21 UTC
From: AB2HR <ab2hr@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <fggo3u8ndi8gjc1mq9bpe646emnno93dqv@4ax.com>
Source record: 4976

On 8 Jan 2002 14:59:45 -0800, malkith0@hotmail.com (Malkith0) wrote:

>Hey, I'm thinking of starting up on radio broadcasting with a talk
>station, 24/7. What do I need in order to get started, like an
>antenna... equipment, etc... Also, how much will all of this cost?
>Thanks.

The first thing you need to get is and understanding of the difference
between amateur radio and broadcast radio.

Raymond Sirois AB2HR
SysOp: The Lost Chord BBS
607-733-5745
telnet:\\thelostchord.dns2go.com:6000

42. Re: utility frequencies for greenland and Faroe Islands

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-09 18:55:13 UTC
From: Bill <jwgardiner@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <lm0%7.9391$fG.52551@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4977
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur

try...
http://http://www.ominous-valve.com/uteworld.html

"Brian" <houge@smart-tech.dk> wrote in message
news:3c3a1620$0$37870$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk...
> Hello.
>
> Can anyone help me with a page for subject.
>
> Thanks.
>
> /Brian OZ1SKY.
>
>

43. FA: Motorola Ht600/P200/Mt1000/Mtx Gang Charger

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-09 20:47:51 UTC
From: kdogg150@aol.com1587
Message-ID: <20020109154751.02144.00000737@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 4978

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1320228049

44. Re: Laptop and PSK31

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-10 02:25:41 UTC
From: manitoumagic@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20020109212541.16661.00000618@mb-fr.aol.com>
Source record: 4979

>I have a Compaq Armada 7730MT and would like to use it for PSK31.
>
>Unfortunately I do not have a manual so do not know how to get at the 'line
>out' and 'line in' connections.
>
>Can anyone help please

My laptop, an NEC, has no 'line-in/line-out' connections either. Using a
'rigblaster' in my case, I use the headphone jack as 'line-out' and the
microphone jack as 'line-in' . You'll have to play with volume levels to be
sure you don't overdrive your rig on PSK31, but once set up, it's a breeze.

45. Re: Starting in radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-10 04:09:22 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C3D13C0.C7509775@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4980

if all you want to do is have a talk show i would suggest a much cheaper
way and thats to do it over the internet via streaming audio that way
all you need is a webhost who does that sort of thing and a mic on your
computer

Malkith0 wrote:

> Hey, I'm thinking of starting up on radio broadcasting with a talk
> station, 24/7. What do I need in order to get started, like an
> antenna... equipment, etc... Also, how much will all of this cost?
> Thanks.

46. Icom 756

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-10 20:59:27 UTC
From: WRL <nhpi@mediaone.net>
Message-ID: <Pgn%7.102218$5W5.26709899@typhoon.ne.mediaone.net>
Source record: 4981

Does anyone have any comments on the Icom 756? I am thinking of getting one.

Bill KB1FWY

47. Kenwood TH-G71A Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-10 22:38:34 UTC
From: gtfd317 <gtfd317@germantwp.com>
Message-ID: <KJo%7.22569$762.191458@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 4982

Can anyone tell me if there is an alternative programming software for the Kenwood TH-G71A. I downloaded the software from Kenwoods FTP site, but am wondering if anyone has an alternative that they like more then Kenwoods.

73

Dan
KA9YDI

48. Re: Starting in radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-11 05:15:39 UTC
From: DaveD <DaveD@daysystems.com>
Message-ID: <Jtu%7.155546$lV4.26815015@e420r-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4983

You can find low-power AM or FM transmitters
that can be used to cover your neighborhood.
I can't speak to the legality of these; here is
the Federal Communications page dealing
with low-power broadcast:
http://www.fcc.gov/mmb/asd/lowpwr.html

Note there is a new low-power license
available from the FCC, but it is for strictly
non-commercial use.

A leading supplier of low-power stations is
Ramsey Electronics:

http://www.ramseyelectronics.com/fm/fmequip.htm

Hope you find what you need--and stay legal!

Regards, Dave W1DAY

49. 100's of radio items for sale - online!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-11 08:53:00 UTC
From: vk2ca@vkham.com
Message-ID: <3c3ea7ce.1655170@news.ozemail.com.au>
Source record: 4984

Hi All

Just a reminder that VK Classifieds - Australia's busiest online classifieds section can be found at:

http://www.vkham.com

You can browse hundreds of adverts and even place your own - ONLINE INSTANTLY! You have full control over your advert. You can even place a photo of your item online in your advert.

This is a totally free service, open to both ham and non-ham operators but please read and abide by the guidelines of use for the site or your advert may be deleted.

Cheers....Allan VK2CA

50. Re: Icom 756

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-11 10:36:39 UTC
From: Eamon Skelton <Xnospam@oceanfree.net>
Message-ID: <o7fm1a.3jg.ln@darkstar.example.net>
Source record: 4985

WRL wrote:

> Does anyone have any comments on the Icom 756? I am thinking of getting
> one.
>
> Bill KB1FWY

I've never seen one but I know several people who bought the 756 pro. All
of them are happy with it. Any 756's that I have heard on the air, had
very good TX audio quality.

73, Ed. EI9GQ.

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Remove 'X' to replay by e-mail
http://homepage.eircom.net/~ei9gq
Linux 2.4.17

51. SWL'ing on the Ham Bands

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-11 21:30:06 UTC
From: Steve Carter <i-listen@shaw.ca>
Message-ID: <3C3F594E.4000800@shaw.ca>
Source record: 4986

If you have an interest in SWL'ing on the Ham Bands, then visit our site:

www.members.shaw.ca/SWARL

Regards,
Steve

52. PSKFest

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 07:42:01 UTC
From: n3dqu@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020112024201.13154.00000874@mb-cs.aol.com>
Source record: 4987

Greetings from the 070 Club! Just wanted to invite all the PSKer's out there to come play with us in our First Annual PSKFest next weekend, January 19...For more info, check out the 070 Club website at < http://hometown.aol.com/n3dqu/podxs070.htm > ...NOTE: There has been a change in the rules: contest exchange is callsign, signal report and SPC (no serial number)...Hope to cu on the air...73 de Jay N3DQU.

53. 25-MAY-2002 RADIO FLEA MARKET in BEETSTERZWAAG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 17:00:54 UTC
From: Weit Lap <weit@worldlink.tmfweb.nl>
Message-ID: <a1pq7l$5sc$1@cyan.nl.gxn.net>
Source record: 4988

25-MAY-2002 RADIO FLEA MARKET in BEETSTERZWAAG.

The flea market takes place to - 25 May 2002. Do you look for an exotic transistor kit or a super recipient, fixed and do manufacture kit... or do meet of radio friends? Dan comes Saturday 25 May to the Friese radio market into Beetsterzwaag!

Many thousand visitors come each year from the entire Netherlands and Europe to this radio flea market spectacle, approx. 100 dealers, with most diverse articles, like senders - receivers - power supplies - antennas - software - hardware and literature.

Additionally of businessmen in the place also a flea market with many attraction organized for large and small. There are some sales desks free on the radio flea market, you can reserve a sales desk by telephone & email, contact the executive committee. Down are these addresses.

How does one find Beetsterzwaag? From direction Apeldoorn = > Zwolle = > Meppel = > Heerenveen = > Drachten, departure after Gorredijk Tijnje comes departure (28) Beetsterzwaag.

From direction Bremen = > Groningen = > Drachten = > Heerenveen, departure after Drachten Haven comes departure (28) Beetsterzwaag.

On 2mtr, 145,650 Digi Meppel and 145,700 Digi Heerenveen can one to instruct leave themselves. Inlet is from 09:00 to 15:30 MESZ, into which Cafeteria one also boarded into this time.

This whole is organized of VERON FRIESE WOUDEN. Cordially Welcome in Friesland on the FRM!

For actual information's see at: http://www.veron-a63.tmfweb.nl

Contact people, are:

Announce sales desks:
Izaak Landman, PE1MIP
Westfrisestraat 20 9076 AE ST. ANNAPAROCHIE
Tel. 0031(0) 58 2151435
Email: pe1mip@hotmail.com

Public relation:
Weit Lap, PA3ESF
Bouekers 40 9247 AR URETERP
Tel. 0031(0) 512 302702
Email: pa3esf@amsat.org

54. Sattelete radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 19:22:12 UTC
From: chrism1111@aol.comspamless
Message-ID: <20020112142212.21306.00002540@mb-fj.aol.com>
Source record: 4989

Hi all

anyone know the ins/outs/way to dupe sattellite radio?

"Your Honer Sir, I will stop collecting photons that land on my property when the sattelite broadcasters stop spraying them all over my farm"

attributed to the first guy to be sued for a sattelite dish and won. However, descrambling the hbo is illegal!

TNX

chris
For free plans and info on solar oven's water and purifiers, that actually work, see<http://www.accessone.com/~sbcn/index.htm>
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Sufficiently advance technology is indistinguishable from magic..

55. TS-850s and KAM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 19:27:22 UTC
From: Keith Barnes <ke5ga@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <k3008.4552$V55.637689@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4990
Cross-posted to: es.rec.radio.amateur,in.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.packet,rec.radio.amateur

Hi gang,

I have had problems with rf getting into the mic section of the 850 when a KAM/KAM Plus is connected using the 13 pin plug. Kantronics had a fix by installing either a capacitor 1pf or so in the plug. Kenwood also had a fix but it required rig surgery. Anyone know the Kantronics recommended fix. I have been searching all over for it and have not had any luck and I can't seem to find my hand written documentation.

Thanks
Keith
W5KB

56. KAM and TS-850S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 19:28:42 UTC
From: Keith Barnes <ke5ga@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <C4008.4555$V55.637003@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4991
Cross-posted to:
rec.ham-radio.packet,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Hi gang,

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Thanks
Keith
W5KB

57. ARNewsline 1274 - Jan 11 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 22:08:53 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020112170853.11298.00002048@mb-cg.aol.com>
Source record: 4992

AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE(tm) REPORT #1274 - January 11 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1274 with a release date of
Friday, January 11th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. No more taxicab Q-R-M plaguing a popular ham satellite and lots of FCC enforcement actions highlight this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1274 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: TAXI TO SATELLITE QRM ENDED

Some good news for satellite operators. Thanks to some hard work by the International Amateur Radio Union, the troublesome F-M signals to ham satellites from Mexican taxi cabs are for the most part gone. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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According to the IARU Monitoring System newsletter it now appears that FM radio transmissions from the taxi drivers in the cities of San Luis and Sonora, Mexico area are no longer getting into the 2-meter uplink of the UOSAT 14 ham satellite.

The issue was raised by many involved in ham radio satellite communications including Ray Soifer, W2RS, of AMSAT North America. The newsletter says that it was Soifers plea to the VHF and Satellite Committee at the 2001 IARU Region 2 Conference in Guatemala City generated extra interest and concern about this and similar problems. This lead to some very productive discussions between the Mexican telecommunications administration and the Federación Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores which is Mexicos national Amateur Radio society.

Credit also is given to Alejandro Pereida, XE2BSS, for his thorough technical analysis of the problem and for his persistence in pursuing the matter from beginning to end. The end being the removal of the interfereing signals from the UOSAT 14 two meter uplink passband.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP, not far from the U.S. - Mexico border in Scottsdale Arizona.

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The newsletter reports that after a lot of correspondence and negotiations on this issue took place over the past eighteen months. It also credits Lorne Libin, XE1V, as being an important mediator during this period. (AMSAT)

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HAM RADIO AND THE LAW: NEW HAMPSHIRE HAM WINS ANTENNA CASE

Meantime, a lot closer to the ground, the ARRL Letter reports that a New Hampshire ham appears to have won a battle to erect an antenna support structure on his property. But says the League, it remains to be seen, however, whether Jerry Muller, K0TV, of Hudson will be allowed to erect the extensive system of three towers that he'd originally planned.

Unlike many amateur antenna battles, this case did not pit Muller against the town. In December 1998, Muller applied for a permit to erect three 100-foot antenna structures on his property, and the town of Hudson granted the permit. Three of Muller's neighbors appealed the grant of the permit, but the Hudson Zoning Board affirmed the grant. The neighbors then sued the town and won, resulting in the order for Muller to dismantle the towers.

Now, in a 4-0 vote, with one justice abstaining, the Supreme Court of New Hampshire has reversed a lower court ruling but it is not a 100% victory. Writing for the court, New Hampshire Chief Justice David A. Brock concluded that the lower court's order requiring Muller to dismantle his towers violated the limited federal preemption known as PRB-1 as well as New Hampshire's statutory codification of PRB-1. However Brock also agreed with the lower court that Muller's three-tower installation did not qualify as a "customary, incidental and subordinate" accessory use permitted by Hudson's ordinance.

While another amateur in Hudson has a tower at the same height, there are no instances of three such towers on the same property. Nevertheless, Brock said that Muller's installation may be permitted within the framework of PRB-1, if Muller can demonstrate that his three towers are necessary to "reasonably accommodate" his communications needs. (ARRL)

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THE WAR: 73’S GREEN SAYS US COMMUNICATIONS ILL PREPARED FOR TERROR ATTACKS

73 Magazine El Supremo Wayne Green, W2NSD -- thats his title not ours. El Supremo Green says that the United States is ill prepared to handle communications in the event of another terror attack. Writing in his Never Say Die editorial column, Green says that no matter how the terrorist network hits us, the one thing we are going to need is communications. And this says Green, this is another item that the government has been lax in providing.

Green notes that anytime there is an emergency, the first things to disappear are electric power and telephone service. This includes cellular as well as wired phones. He notes that police, fire, rescue and other services have no way to inter-communicate until ham radio operators arrive on the scene. He says that if ham radio is going to be called on to provide services anywhere and at any time, then we need at least 600,000 licensed hams trained and ready to help, and not just the 100,000 or so that are now really active.

Green’s comments begin on page four of the January issue of 73 Magazine. (73 Magazine)

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THE WAR: PIRATE HAM OPERATION FROM AFGHANISTAN

You may find this hard to believe, but even with a war going on some joker is pirating the YA5T call-sign and pretending to be on the air from war-torn Afghanistan.

According to Peter Casier, ON6TT, and the Radio Society of Great Britain all the operators who had previously put YA5T on the air have left Afghanistan. Casier tells the RSGB that he expects to travel back to Islamabad on the 20th of January and then to Kabul within the following few days. Until then, any station you work claiming to be on the air from Afghanistan is most probably somewhere else in the world.

We will have more D-X news later on in this weeks newscast. (RSGB)

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BREAK 1

This is ham radio news coming to you from the United States of America. We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world, including the Condor Connection repeater intertie thanks to KC6SFP and heard throughout the South-Western United States.

(5 Sec Pause Here)

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FCC: THE VANITY CALL SIGN PROGRAM MAY RESUME SHORTLY

Some god news for hams waiting for vanity call signs. According to an ARRL bulletin, the vanity program which was put on hold since October 14th as the result of the post 9-1-1 Anthrax mail scare may could be in operation shortly.

The vanity gridlock got started after mail received between October 15th and November 1st was diverted from the FCC's Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, office for decontamination in the Washington, DC, area. That mail, believed to contain more than 100 vanity applications filed on paper, has not been returned to Gettysburg.

Current FCC policy says that paper and electronic vanity applications get equal processing priority, so the Commission halted vanity processing altogether until it could resolve the mail snafu.

FCC staffers in Gettysburg have been attempting to work around the roadblock. Using vanity fee payment data from the FCC's fiscal agent, Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh, the FCC's Wireless Telecommunications Bureau in Gettysburg has been contacting applicants directly to have them resubmit their applications. The FCC now is asking applicants whose paper vanity filings may have arrived at Mellon Bank between October 15th and November 1st and who have not been contacted to get in touch with the FCC to find out if they need to forward a copy or facsimile of their original paperwork. The request affects only vanity applicants who filed on paper and not electronic filers.

More information on whats happening in the ham radio vanity call sign program can be found at the ARRL Website. Its in cyberspace at www.arrl.org under W1AW

Bulletins for the year 2002.

And late word in. The FCC has begun processing some vanity call signs as this newscast is prepared. (ARRL)

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ENFORCEMENT: EX-KV4FZ'S NEW LICENSE APPLICATION DESIGNATED FOR HEARING

I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF. The FCC has designated a new ham radio license application filed by Herbert L. Schoenbohm, the ex-KV4FZ, for a public hearing. According to the order released on January 9th, the hearing will determine whether Schoenbohm possesses the requisite character qualifications to be a Commission licensee. Schoenbohm lost a series of appeals during the 1990's and was ordered off the air last year. He was given twenty days to request that the hearing on his new application be held. If he fails to do so, his application will be dismissed. More on this story, next week. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: YOU CANT SEND FELONY COMPLAINT AFFIDAVITS TO OTHER HAMS

The FCC wants to hear immediately from any ham who receives notification that a felony complaint has been lodged against him or her by Glen Baxter, K1MAN. This after the government tells the Belgrade Lake Maine operator to stop sending other radio operators so-called Standard Felony Complaint Affidavits. Speaking on his Rain Enforcement Log, FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth says that this is not the first time Baxter has been warned:

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Hollingsworth: "We reiterated a warning issued by the United States Attorney in Maine to a Belgrade Lakes operator who had sent so-called Felony Complaint Affidavits to licensees who had refused to clear the frequency for his broadcasts, or bulletin shows or whatever they are. Complaints about the nature of the transmissions are also under review as well, and we will be looking at those. That went to Glenn Baxter, K1MAN.

The United States Attorney in that case has warned Baxter that if he continues sending the so-called Felony Complaint Affidavits he may be subject to federal criminal charges for misrepresentation and for using the U.S. Mail to make threats."
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If you receive one of these Standard Felony Complaint Affidavits, or notification that one has been filed against you please contact Riley Hollingsworth as soon as you can. He can be reached by e-mail to fccham@fcc.gov. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC - ALLEGEDLY UNCOORDINATED IN CALIFORNIA

Still with enforcement news, the FCC has notified Dean K. Perrins, N6HWI, of Freemont California that his alleged uncoordinated repeater on 443.725 MHz is causing interference to the coordinated K6TWI system. This is a repeater which operates on the same frequency.

The FCC says that it has information that Perrins has been notified several times
regarding the interference problem but that he has not taken any steps to resolve the problem. Perrins was given twenty days from the date of notification to respond to the FCC. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC - ALLEGEDLY UNCOORDINATED IN FLORIDA

In still another repeater interference case Joseph Bushel Jr., W2DWR, of Live Oak Florida has been directed by the FCC to respond to a complaint that he is operating a repeater on 146.94 MHz after being denied coordination by the Florida Repeater Council. The FCC says that Bushel's repeater is causing interference to the coordinated K4EHM system and the government wants him to explain his actions. The FCC also wants W2DWR to respond to an allegation that he was observed transmitting a digital voice recording an that frequency without ever identifying the transmission. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC- DON'T TALK ON THAT REPEATER

Meanwhile, another Florida ham identified as Thomas Banks, KB4AN of Port Saint Lucie Florida has been notified by the FCC that he is to refrain from using an area repeater. Specifically, the FCC has told Banks that he is not to be heard over the Saint Lucie Repeater Association's AF4CN machine as requested by the system's trustee. (FCC)

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AWARDS: ARRL EDUCATOR AWARDS NOMINATIONS SOON CLOSE

According to the American Radio Relay League, nominations close January 31st for League awards that recognize excellence in teaching. The ARRL Instructor of the Year, Educator of the Year and Professional Instructor of the Year awards will be presented, as well as the ARRL Excellence in Recruiting Award. All winners receive engraved plaques. Complete information and nomination forms are available at www.arrl.org. (ARRL)

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AWARDS: DARA NOMINATIONS TO CLOSE

The nominating period for the 2002 Dayton Hamvention Awards is quickly coming to an end. The deadline for nominations is also January 31st.

There are three awards presented each year. They are the Radio Amateur of the Year, Special Achievement, and Technical Excellence. All amateurs Novice through Extra are eligible.

Awards are decided by the Awards Committee, based partially upon the information received. Magazine articles, newsletters, newspaper clippings, videos and the like are appreciated but cannot be returned.

Nominations can be sent to Post Office Box 964, Dayton Ohio 45401. They can also be filed electronically by completing the e-form on the web at www.hamvention.org. (DARA)

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AWARDS: NEWSLINE NAMES FOUR AS SUPER SUPPORTERS

The Amateur Radio Newsline has named four hams who will receive its first Super Supporter Award certificates. Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, has the names:

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In alphabetic order, the first certificate goes to Roy Blanchard, N5YHS, right here in New Orleans. It was Blanchard whose assistance made it possible for Amateur Radio Newsline to become a federally tax exempt coropration.

The second is earmarked to Dale Cary, WD0AKO for his decade plus work in putting the Amateur Radio Newsline on the Internet and creating the Amateur Radio Newsline website.

Sandy Donahue, W4RU, receives a Super Supporter certificate for his many years of coordinating the arrival of the Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award in Huntsville Alabama, and the recipients registration at Spacecamp. And for the last several years he has also helped to defray the cost of the mini-banquet held to honor the winners.

Last but by no means least, Todd Hitzeroth, N6ZXJ, was recognized for his years of volunteering with Newsline at its Dayton Hamvention booth and engineering the Ham Radio Town Meetings. What makes his contribution unique is that Hitzeroth lives in California and pays his own way to and from Dayton each year.

With congratulations to all four recipients, I’m Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA.

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Approval for the creation of the Amateur Radio Newsline Super Supporter certificates and naming of the first four recipients took place at the organizations Board of Directors Meeting held in Glendale California on December 30th 2001. A synopsis of the minutes of that meeting will be posted to our website within the next few weeks. (ARNewsline(tm))

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INTERNATIONAL-ISRAEL: “FIRST” BRINGS IN NEW HAMS

A new group of radio amateurs has emerged in Israel from a rather unexpected place. According to Hagal International, the new Israeli hams are from an all volunteer Search and Rescue group called First.

First members are on call to provide wilderness rescues in areas such as the Israeli desert and canyons. For communications, First members have long carried two-way hand helds operating in point to point simplex mode. The limitations of simplex in rugged terrain means that there are times when they cannot keep in touch.

Recognizing a need for improved communications, First contacted to Israel Amateur Radio Club to ask if the nationwide repeater system could be made available for search and rescue use. And according to veteran ham radio instructor Moshe Inger, 4Z4PF, when First members learned that they would first have to pass an Israeli ham radio exam, they did not flinch one bit. They studied, passed the test and there are now dozen new hams from Eilat in the South to Golan in the North. (Hagal International)

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INTERNATIONAL-UK: G3YJO BECOMES SIR MARTIN SWEETING

Meantime, over in the United Kingdom word that Martin Sweeting, G3YJO, on being knighted. Sweeting is the Chief Executive of Surrey Satellite Technology and Director of the Surrey Space Centre. He will join Sir Jimmy Young and Sir Ben Kingsley to collect his Knights Bachelor medal from the Royal Palace. Professor Sir Martin Sweeting, F.R.S., was knighted for his services to the U-K in microsatellite engineering. (RSGB)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: QUIET HOURS FOR AO-40

AMSAT reports that AO-40 satellite ground controllers have begun adjusting the spacecraft's attitude as it enters a period of adverse sun angles. The satellite is currently in a long period during which Earth eclipses the sun near perigee. These periods will continue well into next June. As a result, AO-40's operating schedule has been modified to reflect the decreasing attitude longitude. (AMSAT)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY: JOHANNES KEPLER AT AGE 470

VK2KGM notes the 470th recorded birthday of Johannes Kepler last December. Kepler was the first astronomer to determine a mathematical relationship existed that could be used to predict the motion of planets. This became the basis for the Keplerian data we use today for satellite orbits. (AMSAT)

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DX

In DX, word that F2JD is active from the Philippines as DU1 slash G0SHN on 20, 15 and 10 meters SSB and CW. Listen for him from now until June of this year. QSL as directed on the air. (RSGB)

Three Finnish operators will be active from Tonga through the 15th of January, with an emphasis on 160 to 30 meters. They will work CW, SSB and RTTY with three stations using verticals and dipoles. (Modern DX)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: FANTASTIC VOYAGE REDUX

And finally this week, the world of medical communications research has finally caught up with the lights of Hollywood. This, as the government approves a tiny radio camera-in-a-capsule that patients can swallow. It is a camera that will transmit pictures to give doctors a close-up view of what is inside of you. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Mert Garlick, N6AWE, has more:

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The new transmitting video pill is made by Given Imaging Ltd. in Israel. It is called the M2A Swallowable Imaging Capsule. It is also exceeding tiny. In fact it is so small that it is easily swallowed by the patient.

Its inventors say that it then painlessly winds its way through the digestive tract and uses wireless technology to transmit full color pictures to a belt pack receiver worn by the patient. That unit also decodes the signal and records the information as the patient goes about his or her daily routine.

A U.S. spokesman for Given Imaging says that doctors who wish to use the video imaging pill will have to buy a specialized $20,000 computer workstation. Each camera capsule costs about $450.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Mert Garlick, N6AWE, in Los Angeles. Roy.

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The entire system is reminiscent of the science fiction movie "Fantastic Voyage." In that film a submarine and its crew of medical specialists are miniaturized and injected into the bloodstream of a critically injured man to perform an operation to save his life while receiving instructions by two way radio. (Science Today)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Roy Neal, K6DUE, saying 73, and we thank you for listening. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

58. DTMF Decoding

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 22:55:14 UTC
From: eXistenZ32 <usenet@unlisted.com>
Message-ID: <mof14ug4h4cqho5m8pupcl2ufm26plasmj@4ax.com>
Source record: 4993
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio

Greetings

Im wondering if anyone can point me to a freeware/shareware/etc program to decode DTMF in a .WAV file

Ive attempted to use WinTone, and found it to skip tones numerous times.

I've got this sound clip from an Information Society song, where there is a short clip of touch tones being dialed. Id love to see what numbers are actually being dialed.

59. Re: Sattelete radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-12 23:08:34 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C40C1A8.71D170FF@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4994

i dont know what you think this NG is about but amateur satelliteradio is not like sat tv you can communicate on any amateur satellite you wish as long as you have a ham license and the gear to use it
this is NOT a NG about satellite TV or commercial radio that broadcasts via satellite

ChrisM1111 wrote:

> Hi all
>
> anyone know the ins/outs/way to dupe sattellite radio?
>
> "Your Honer Sir, I will stop collecting photons that land on my property when
> the sattelite broadcasters stop spraying them all over my farm"
>
> attributed to the first guy to be sued for a sattelite dish and won. However,
> descrambling the hbo is illegal!
>
> TNX
>
> chris
> For free plans and info on solar oven's water and purifiers, that actually
> work, see<http://www.accessone.com/~sbcn/index.htm>
> ==========
> Sufficiently advance technology is indistinguishable from magic..

60. Defective AEA PK-232?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-13 02:58:08 UTC
From: JB
Message-ID: <Xns9194BB5BA23D4anonymous@63.240.76.16>
Source record: 4995

I have a problem and am hoping that someone has the answer. I just started tinkering with a PK-232 but can't get it to acknowledge the computer. I'm following the startup directions in the manual but the terminal software keeps returning a "Link Error" with no further explanation. An additional issue at least according to the manual is that the four left most LED's should light up and then turn off...they don't.

Has anyone else experienced this problem? Am I doing something wrong? Could I have a dead unit?

I'm a total greenhorn at this stuff so if anyone has any expertise, please lay it on.

Thanks!

Jeff

61. Re: CB to 2 meter modification

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-13 03:46:01 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <kc2gmn@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <Zp708.940$pe.686@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4996

Bill,

10 meters is the logical choice, 6 meters is a real stretch but has been done. 2 meters is pretty much out of the question, unless your using a 10/2 meter transverter.

I have done several cb's to 10 meters and they work great, even the cb's that were supposed be unable to be modified for extra frequencies.

I have been using a Cobra 148 on PSK31 with great results. Also use one in the mobile and have also converted Lafayette rig to 10 fm.

Ray
KC2GMN

62. Knight Kit R195 & Star Roamer II Manuals

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-13 03:56:14 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <KC2GMN@YAHOO.COM>
Message-ID: <yz708.947$pe.349@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4997

Does anyone have the assembly and alignment manuals for the Knight Kit Star Roamer II and the R195 receiver. These solid state receivers are of 1970's vintage. Good clean copies and or clear scans would be appreciated.

I was just handed a pair of the Star Roamer II's and one R-195 all partly built, but the wiring was not completed. Of course no manuals, just the original bags of parts and hardware.

Thanks

Ray Keefe
KC2GMN@YAHOO.COM

63. IC 746 Help!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 01:24:22 UTC
From: "R.U. Amused?" <jandlthomas@spamsuxattbi.com>
Message-ID: <arq08.20980$Vq.170105@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4998
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio

Hello All;

Just purchased an Icom 746, and I think the radio may have a problem. It doesn't seem to pick up anything on most of the bands, and on 40 and 20 meters it only picks up a few signals, and only with the preamps on. It barely even picks up WWV. I have a good antenna, and have tried the rig on other antennas with similar results. Any advice or suggestions, particularly from people who own this rig?

Thanks.

James
n6ttd@arrl.net

64. Re: IC 746 Help!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 01:42:18 UTC
From: Andy <acorbin@roanoke.infi.net>
Message-ID: <3C42377A.6020104@roanoke.infi.net>
Source record: 4999
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio

Check the attenuator function.

R.U. Amused? wrote:

> Hello All;
>
> Just purchased an Icom 746, and I think the radio may have a problem. It
> doesn't seem to pick up anything on most of the bands, and on 40 and 20
> meters it only picks up a few signals, and only with the preamps on. It
> barely even picks up WWV. I have a good antenna, and have tried the rig on
> other antennas with similar results. Any advice or suggestions, particularly
> from people who own this rig?
>
> Thanks.
>
> James
> n6ttd@arrl.net
>
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>

65. Re: IC 746 Help!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 01:51:35 UTC
From: "R.U. Amused?" <jandlthomas@spamsuxattbi.com>
Message-ID: <HQq08.21064$Vq.172461@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 5001
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio

Checked attenuator and antenna connection. Both are OK.

James

"Andy" <acorbin@roanoke.infi.net> wrote in message
news:3C42377A.6020104@roanoke.infi.net...
> Check the attenuator function.
>
> R.U. Amused? wrote:
>
> > Hello All;
> >
> > Just purchased an Icom 746, and I think the radio may have a problem. It
> > doesn't seem to pick up anything on most of the bands, and on 40 and 20
> > meters it only picks up a few signals, and only with the preamps on. It
> > barely even picks up WWV. I have a good antenna, and have tried the rig
on
> > other antennas with similar results. Any advice or suggestions,
particularly
> > from people who own this rig?
> >
> > Thanks.
> >
> > James
> > n6ttd@arrl.net
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66. Re: IC 746 Help!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 03:37:50 UTC
From: Murray Neece <radioranch@cableone.net>
Message-ID: <3C42528D.2D24A3A@cableone.net>
Source record: 5000
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio
Body handling: Binary attachment payload not displayed: radioranch.vcf

Make sure you are on the correct antenna connector, that would be my first guess, I cant recall but seemslike there are 2 for hf and one for VHF....check that......It should be great, they are!!! 73 K5MDM Murray

"R.U. Amused?" wrote:

> Hello All;
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> Just purchased an Icom 746, and I think the radio may have a problem. It
> doesn't seem to pick up anything on most of the bands, and on 40 and 20
> meters it only picks up a few signals, and only with the preamps on. It
> barely even picks up WWV. I have a good antenna, and have tried the rig on
> other antennas with similar results. Any advice or suggestions, particularly
> from people who own this rig?
>
> Thanks.
>
> James
> n6ttd@arrl.net

[One or more binary attachments are retained only in the source text.]

67. VX-5R and Ebay! What a laugh!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 04:26:29 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020113232629.05014.00000936@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 5002

I was recently considering buying a VX-5R triband HT and I've gotta tell ya, I am laughing my ass off watching the going prices on Ebay for these things! Right now you can get them NEW from AES or HRO for $255.. just saw one go for $275 on Ebay! Dualbanders are going for prices like this! Why pay that much for a dualbander when you can get a tribander as cheap or cheaper!?!
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

68. AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 04:46:44 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020113234644.05045.00000968@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 5003

I just experienced something very strange.. I ordered a VX-5R HT and carry case from HRO and an MFJ triband antenna from AES (HRO didn't carry the antenna I wanted), both ordered almost at the same time and the order numbers for the two are each just one digit off from each other, sequentially. Are these two company's webservers working together?! Why would I get sequential order numbers from two different companies?
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
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69. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 06:53:38 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a1tv9iqtn5@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 5004

VHFRadioBuff <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote:
> I just experienced something very strange.. I ordered a VX-5R HT and carry case
> from HRO and an MFJ triband antenna from AES (HRO didn't carry the antenna I
> wanted), both ordered almost at the same time and the order numbers for the two
> are each just one digit off from each other, sequentially. Are these two
> company's webservers working together?! Why would I get sequential order
> numbers from two different companies?

Insufficient data. What are the two numbers?

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

70. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 13:11:44 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020114081144.11357.00001331@mb-fn.aol.com>
Source record: 5005

>Insufficient data. What are the two numbers?
>

The exact numbers are irrelivant. They were sequential though.. perhaps they
use the same company to process their orders?
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

71. WTB-BELT CLIP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 13:44:05 UTC
From: n2ion@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020114084405.23466.00002195@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 5006

I'M LOOKING FOR A BELT CLIP FOR AN ICOM IC-32AT RADIO.
EMAIL IF YOU HAVE ONE.

THANKS IN ADVANCE

72. Re: DTMF Decoding

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 14:49:13 UTC
From: KC8PMX <kc8pmx@tm.net>
Message-ID: <JdC08.546$9d.19965@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 5007
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio

Think I remember that Soundforge did something like that.....

"eXistenZ32" <usenet@unlisted.com> wrote in message
news:mof14ug4h4cqho5m8pupcl2ufm26plasmj@4ax.com...
> Greetings
>
> Im wondering if anyone can point me to a freeware/shareware/etc
> program to decode DTMF in a .WAV file
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> Ive attempted to use WinTone, and found it to skip tones numerous
> times.
>
> I've got this sound clip from an Information Society song, where there
> is a short clip of touch tones being dialed. Id love to see what
> numbers are actually being dialed.
>
>

73. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 18:33:11 UTC
From: NS9G <ns9g@home.com>
Message-ID: <HvF08.51471$LQ1.15605090@news2.nash1.tn.home.com>
Source record: 5008

"VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message
news:20020114081144.11357.00001331@mb-fn.aol.com...
> >Insufficient data. What are the two numbers?
> >
>
> The exact numbers are irrelivant. They were sequential though.. perhaps
they
> use the same company to process their orders?

'Pears to me that the numbers could be very relevant. If the numbers were
like 7 and 8 no inference could be drawn. If, on the other hand, the numbers
were like 32,909,231 and 32,909,232, that would be a different matter. Why
not just answer the question? What are the numbers?
--
73 de Bob NS9G

74. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 19:30:21 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020114143021.28340.00001086@mb-mh.aol.com>
Source record: 5009

Both numbers are 12 digits, in the same format. The first 4 and last 4 are exactly the same. The last number of the middle 4 numbers is different. For example:

1234-5678-9012 and 1234-5679-9012

Not a coincidence.
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
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http://edfas.tripod.com

75. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 21:34:22 UTC
From: NS9G <ns9g@home.com>
Message-ID: <y9I08.51529$LQ1.15681081@news2.nash1.tn.home.com>
Source record: 5010

"VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message
news:20020114143021.28340.00001086@mb-mh.aol.com...
> Both numbers are 12 digits, in the same format. The first 4 and last 4 are
> exactly the same. The last number of the middle 4 numbers is different.
For
> example:
>
> 1234-5678-9012 and 1234-5679-9012
>
> Not a coincidence.

I am assuming that the numbers are lost and there is no way to give them. It would be interesting to see the actual numbers. They could be some commonly used code date. Then, on the other hand the difference between the two companies could be about like Warshawski and J C Whitney. Tis strange.

--
73 de Bob NS9G

76. FS: Lafayette HA230 Receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 21:52:15 UTC
From: radioears@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020114165215.29986.00001136@mb-ms.aol.com>
Source record: 5011

Good condtion, WITH matching outboard speaker. Receiver works and includes manual. $60 firm, postpaid and insured. Mo only. Contact me directly at radioears@aol.com.
Thank you,
Harold

77. Re: DTMF Decoding

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-14 22:57:27 UTC
From: eXistenZ32 <usenet@unlisted.com>
Message-ID: <bio64ucvgm5ihnr6un6kg53brslikrlt50@4ax.com>
Source record: 5012
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio

I know it has DTMF/MF synthesis, but i didnt think it could decode

On Mon, 14 Jan 2002 14:49:13 GMT, "KC8PMX" <kc8pmx@tm.net> wrote:

>Think I remember that Soundforge did something like that.....
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>
>"eXistenZ32" <usenet@unlisted.com> wrote in message
>news:mof14ug4h4cqho5m8pupcl2ufm26plasmj@4ax.com...
>> Greetings
>>
>> Im wondering if anyone can point me to a freeware/shareware/etc
>> program to decode DTMF in a .WAV file
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>> times.
>>
>> I've got this sound clip from an Information Society song, where there
>> is a short clip of touch tones being dialed. Id love to see what
>> numbers are actually being dialed.
>>
>>
>

78. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-15 02:37:38 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020114213738.05018.00001217@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 5013

>I am assuming that the numbers are lost and there is no way to give them. It
>would be interesting to see the actual numbers. They could be some commonly
>used code date. Then, on the other hand the difference between the two
>companies could be about like Warshawski and J C Whitney. Tis strange.

The numbers aren't lost, I'm just not going to post my confirmation numbers on
the internet.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

79. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-15 08:18:40 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a20okv$g8a$5@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 5014

VHFRadioBuff <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote:
>>Insufficient data. What are the two numbers?

> The exact numbers are irrelivant. They were sequential though.. perhaps they
> use the same company to process their orders?

No, the numbers are relevant. For example, many companies use the current
date as part of the order number. If so, then two completely different
companies could be having about the same number of orders/day.

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

80. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-15 08:21:01 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a20opd$g8a$6@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 5015

VHFRadioBuff <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote:
> Both numbers are 12 digits, in the same format. The first 4 and last 4 are
> exactly the same. The last number of the middle 4 numbers is different. For
> example:

> 1234-5678-9012 and 1234-5679-9012

> Not a coincidence.

How can you tell? Maybe they number from the first of the year, and had
made almost exactly the same number of sales since then.

As I stated, without the actual numbers, there is no way to find out
if it is total coincidence or due to some common numbering scheme.

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

81. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-15 08:23:04 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a20ot8$g8a$7@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 5016

VHFRadioBuff <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote:

> The numbers aren't lost, I'm just not going to post my confirmation numbers on
> the internet.

Ah. Well, could you do so after you receive the merchandise?

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Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

82. Ham Radio University 2002 for Long Island

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-15 13:23:21 UTC
From: GSBARC <info@gsbarc.org>
Message-ID: <d3W08.29014$Zh1.6337452@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 5017
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Ham Radio University 2002/ARRL New York City-Long Island Section Convention

Ham Radio University 2002 for Long Island

North Babylon, New York - On Sunday, January 20, 2002 at 8AM, the doors of the Babylon Town Hall Annex on Phelps Lane will open for the third annual Ham Radio University. Ham Radio University 2002 is a day of education about Amateur Radio.

This year the forums have been expanded and new forums have been added. There will be twenty, one-hour presentations with special forums geared to the non-ham as well as the experienced ham radio operator. The focus will be "hands on" with many demonstrations.

Come join us at the Babylon Town Hall Annex, Phelps Lane, North Babylon, Long Island, and learn about everything from satellite communications, low power operating using radios as small as a tuna tin, how to put up an emergency antenna, the latest information on advanced digital communications, finding and fixing radio frequency interference problems to purchasing your first station equipment or handi-talkie and a special "Ask the Experts" forum. There will also be a Special Event Station W2V set up and operational on HF. There will live SSTV pictures uploaded to the NLI WWW during the event.

HRU 2002 is sponsored by the Great South Bay ARC and is a cooperative effort between over twenty clubs and organizations in the New York City- Long Island area. It is also the American Radio Relay League, New York City-Long Island Section Convention. Besides the forums, there will be tables set up with information about the different groups, ham radio classes, exam session schedules, public service and other activities.

Join us for a day of fun and education for the whole family!
Admission is open to all - donation is $2 per person.
(complimentary refreshments available)

For more information contact:
Phil Lewis N2MUN, Chairman, n2mun@arrl.net or call 631-226-0698
George Tranos N2GA, ARRL NLI Section Manager, n2ga@arrl.org or call 631-286-7562

Additional information on the WWW at http://hudson.arrl.org/nli

83. Radio en meer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-15 16:06:04 UTC
From: "Radio en meer..." <radioenmeer@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <elh84uoum4ot1e7l53flhf8d07mpi9qofh@4ax.com>
Source record: 5018

http://listen.to/radioenmeer

Veel info over radio, piraten, zeezenders en links naar jingelsites...
EN natuurlijk HET verhaal over Alfred Lagarde en fotos van de stem van
Veronica,... Hier vind je ook een compleet DE geschiedenis van
Digitaal FM, een veelbeluisterde zender uit Groningen, die helaas niet
meer is. Geniet mee van deze pagina's en mail reacties naar
radioenmeer@hotmail.com

84. frequencies...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-16 01:11:34 UTC
From: Dan Corbett <dancorbett@mac.com>
Message-ID: <B86A3DA3.C39%dancorbett@mac.com>
Source record: 5019

I don't know much about radio. I'm just wondering what frequency range a subway tunnel maintenance crew would use.
Any help?

85. Re: Defective AEA PK-232?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-16 19:28:28 UTC
From: jdouglas@timewave.com
Message-ID: <3c45d2fa.100040454@news.mcleodusa.net>
Source record: 5020

On Sun, 13 Jan 2002 02:58:08 GMT, JB <jblyth2@mindspring..com> wrote:

>I have a problem and am hoping that someone has the answer. I just started
>tinkering with a PK-232 but can't get it to acknowledge the computer. I'm
>following the startup directions in the manual but the terminal software
>keeps returning a "Link Error" with no further explanation. An additional
>issue at least according to the manual is that the four left most LED's
>should light up and then turn off...they don't.
>
>Has anyone else experienced this problem? Am I doing something wrong?
>Could I have a dead unit?

Hello Jeff.

The PK-232 lights the left 4 LEDs at the start of initiatuin and then
switches to the mode last in use at the end of startup. If the unit is
RESET then it will switch to BAUDOT.

Here are some things to try:

1) disconnect all cables except the computer cable and 12V power cable
2) remove JP-1 (Resets the PK-232)
3) Make VERY sure the P/S is supplying 12.5 volts under load
(measeured at the fuse)
4) Make very certain the P/S is at least 1.2 amps. It will not run
with an 800ma supply
5) Look carefully at all the ICs and make sure they are firmly seated
in the sockets.

If this doesnt work contact me at Timewave and we can look further
(651) 489-5080

John N&#65533;ISL
Timewave Technology Inc

>
>I'm a total greenhorn at this stuff so if anyone has any expertise, please
>lay it on.
>
>Thanks!
>
>Jeff

86. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-17 02:15:33 UTC
From: Harold <hsnyder@houston.flightlessbird.com>
Message-ID: <9tq18.2518$_D1.491911@typhoon.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 5021

I hope not, that would really wreck competitive pricing between companies.
This never would have happened before they dropped the CW requirement to 5
wpm.

"VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message
news:20020113234644.05045.00000968@mb-ce.aol.com...
> I just experienced something very strange.. I ordered a VX-5R HT and carry
case
> from HRO and an MFJ triband antenna from AES (HRO didn't carry the antenna
I
> wanted), both ordered almost at the same time and the order numbers for
the two
> are each just one digit off from each other, sequentially. Are these two
> company's webservers working together?! Why would I get sequential order
> numbers from two different companies?
> =-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
> http://edfas.tripod.com

87. New liks

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-17 08:37:06 UTC
From: F5LCY <f5lcy@libertysurf.fr>
Message-ID: <a262in$1l17$9@news5.isdnet.net>
Source record: 5022

http://f6keh.free.fr/index_r

This site has been updated today : new links, new sites, new datas...

88. ? On Yaesu FT-817

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-18 01:24:06 UTC
From: klodtlarry@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020117202406.15460.00000268@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 5023

I am looking to get back into ham radio. I have limited space for both a shack and antenna. I mainly have talked VHF/UHF and enjoy shortwave listening. I think the Yaesu FT-817 looks nifty. Any comments good or bad on this rig? Thanks in advance!

LARRY :-) KC0HBB

89. Re: ? On Yaesu FT-817

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-18 12:09:12 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3C481068.F8382446@rac.ca>
Source record: 5024

Hi Larry
Try the FT-817 Yahoo Group at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FT817/
it's a great source of information.
73
Peter
VA3PKH

KlodtLarry wrote:

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> and antenna. I mainly have talked VHF/UHF and enjoy shortwave listening. I
> think the Yaesu FT-817 looks nifty. Any comments good or bad on this rig?
> Thanks in advance!
>
> LARRY :-) KC0HBB

90. Drake WV4 and EV664 for sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-18 15:23:55 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020118102355.10596.00001683@mb-mg.aol.com>
Source record: 5025

Still have the Drake uhf-vhf watt meter in good shape. Asking $65.00
Also, Electro Voice 664 with high impedance cable- condition abt an 8- Best offer

Thanks-Lew KlNDV

91. ARNewsline 1275 - Jan 18 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-18 18:35:27 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020118133527.25519.00003267@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 5026

AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE(tm) REPORT #1275 - January 18 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1275 with a release date of
Friday, January 18th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A new ham antenna on the I-S-S and a new microwave record down-under are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1275 coming your way right now!

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW ANTENNAS INSTALLED ON THE ISS

An American astronaut and a Russian cosmonaut ventured into space on Monday January 14th to move a construction crane and install a new set of ham radio antennas on the International Space Station. Roy Neal, K6DUE, has the details.

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THERE IT WAS, ON NASA TELEVISION, TWO WHITE SPACE SUITED CHARACTERS, DWARFED BY THE IMMENSITY OF THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION. FOR THE 32ND TIME ASTRONAUTS AND COSMONAUTS WERE OUTSIDE THE HUGE SPACECRAFT TO ASSEMBLE HARDWARE.

THEIR PRIMARY OBJECTIVE WAS TO MOVE A BIG CARGO CRANE FROM ITS TEMPORARY BERTH ON THE UNITED STATES SIDE OF THE ORBITING OUTPOST TO A PERMANENT LOCATION OUTSIDE THE DOCKING COMPARTMENT OF THE RUSSIAN CONTROL MODULE.

THAT ACCOMPLISHED, THEY WENT ON TO UNFURL A HAM RADIO ANTENNA. ASTRONAUT CARL WALTZ, KC5TIE AND COSMONAUT YURI ONUFRIENKO, RK3DUO, DEPLOYED THE RIBBON OF TAPE THAT SOON WILL BE IN USE ON A HAM RADIO STATION IN THE SERVICE MODULE,. WHERE THE CREWS LIVE AND SLEEP. A SECOND STATION HAS BEEN IN SERVICE FOR SOME TIME INSIDE THE SO CALLED FUNCTIONAL CARGO BLOCK, ANOTHER SECTION OF THE I S S.

FRANK BAUER, KA3HDO, THE CHAIRMAN OF ARISS, THE GROUP THAT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR AMATEUR RADIO ON THE SPACE STATION, CONGRATULATED THE INTERNATIONAL TEAM OF LICENSED HAMS FOR THE SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION TO MONTHS OF HARD WORK.

ON JANUARY 25th ONUFRIENKO IS SCHEDULED TO GO OUTSIDE AGAIN, WITH FLIGHT ENGINEER DAN BURSCH, KD5PNU, TO INSTALL 3 MORE HAM RADIO ANTENNAS OUTSIDE THE MODULE THEY CALL ZVEZDA, THE CREW COMPARTMENT THAT'S THE SIZE OF A PASSENGER BUS HERE ON EARTH.

HAM RADIO IS GROWING RAPIDLY IN SPACE, ALONG WITH THE INTERNATIONAL STATION ON WHICH IT'S INSTALLED.

FOR THE AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE, ROY NEAL, K6DUE

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The Expedition 4 crew will remain on board the ISS until May. And according to Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, another important task is to bring the automatic packet system back on line. He says that ground technicians are working with the astronauts and cosmonaut on that project and that task will continue as crew time permits. (ARNewsline from information provided by ARISS, NASA.)

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HAM RADIO RECORDS: 24 GHZ DOWN-UNDER

A new distance record is set on a band where even commercial interests are only now starting to tread. And its a group of Australian hams who have set it. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the details:

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A new Queensland distance record on 24.048.1 GHz USB was established morning of Tuesday 08 January over a 72.8 Km path. Location 1 was at Wellington Point, with VK3ZQB and VK4ZHL portable. Location 2 was at Caloundra, with VK3XPD and VK5DK portable operating.

Signals strengths up to 5x5 after initial optimization with typical daytime QSB. The visiting team are continuing with local propagation experiments. The challenges of building and operating microwave amateur radio equipment are wonderfully rewarding in many ways!

From Q-News Australia, I’m Graham Kemp, VK4BB, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Further experimentation is expected to bring even more record setting contacts in this very microwave ham radio band. (Q-News)

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RESTRUCTURING: BIG LICENSING SUCCESS IN THE UK

A new slow-code license recently introduced in the United Kingdom is also setting records. This in the area of people flocking to get it. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, days that the new British Foundation License is on its way to becoming a major success:

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The Radio Licensing Center reports that, as of the 7th of January, exactly 600 of the new M3 Foundation Licenses had been issued.

In the 'QSO Party' for Foundation Licensees that took place on the 1st of January it is estimated that about 100 M3 stations were active. Many joined the one-minute-past-midnight 80-meter net and many more were heard working DX during the subsequent days.

One person active on the 1st of January was Mike Marsden, M3BQH, who also holds the callsign G8BQH. Mike reports that he worked Alex, UR5EDU, in the Ukraine at

two seconds past midnight, using 10 watts on 40 meters. The report was 59+10dB. After a few hours' sleep M3BQH worked 66 stations on the first day, with only two short CQ calls.

"The pile-up queue was never ending, I even managed to work seven other M3s", Mike said.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH

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To put this in perspective. The UK has 57,814 hams so 600 is about 1%. Here in the United States we have close to 625,000 licensees. That’s the equivalent of getting 6250 hams signing up for a new license class here in the USA in only a few short days. (GB2RS)

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BREAK 1

This is ham radio news coming to you from the United States of America. We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, including the W8GK repeater serving Charleston West Virginia.

(5 Sec Pause Here)

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RADIO REGULATIONS: FCC'S APPROVES DRAFT WRC PROPOSALS

The FCC’s Advisory Committee for the year 2003 World Radiocommunications Conference has approved its preliminary draft proposals. The document has been assigned as D-A-02-101 and deals mainly with satellite and terrestrial allocations in the UHF and microwave bands. Amateur Radio is only briefly mentioned in the area of 890 to 1350 MHz allocations.

The Advisory Committee itself was formed in January of 2001 to assist in the development of United States proposals for WRC 2003. DA-02-101 is based primarily on the committee report. Comments on it are due on it no later than January 28th.

The complete of 55 page text of DA-02-101 is on the FCC website at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-02-101A1.txt (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: CLEAN UP THE INTERFERENCE - PLEASE

The FCC has written to an A-M radio station and an electric power provider to help resolve an unusual and long-standing interference situation. One affecting local amateurs in the Cincinnati and Mason Ohio areas. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, brings us up to date:

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The letter suggests that multiple sources may be involved in this interference case. Also that two that are possibilities are Cinergy Corporation and radio station WLW. Cinergy is the electric company to the affected area and WLW is a Clear Channel Communications owned power-house AM station serving the greater Cincinnati area from a transmitter in Mason.

WLW operates on 700 kHz with 50,000 Watts into a single element diamond shaped half-wave vertical tower. This is only one of two such towers left in the United States, the other belonging to WSM AM in Nashville Tennessee. Both were constructed in the early 1930's by the now defunct Blaw Knox Construction Corporation.

One of the amateurs affected is Bob Reiff, WA8ULW, of Mason. Reiff told the ARRL Letter that while the noise is most noticeable on 160 meters, it's showing up elsewhere. He says that some local hams suspect it is even causing problems even on a two meter repeater.

In its letters, the Commission says that it recognizes this to be an unusual case. It says that the source of the interference could turn out to be something else unexpected. But the Commission adds that it is turning to the radio station and electric utility company and asking for their help in finding the source of the noise plaguing the Mason ham community. It's also asking that both cooperate with the technical experts from the American Radio Relay League in solving the problem.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA.

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By the way, More information on this very interesting Blaw Knox diamond tower design and the ones installed at both WLW and WSM is available on-line. Simply take your browser to http://www.wsmonline.com/w_homepage/tower/index.html. Its very interesting reading. (FCC, ARRL, Amateur News Weekly)

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ENFORCEMENT: UNLICENSED OPERATOR TOLD TO EXPLAIN

A former ham that the FCC says may have been on the air without a license has been asked by the agency to provide an explanation. The person posing the questions is FCC chief ham radio rules enforcer Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH. And in a recent Rain Enforcement log, Hollingsworth outlined the situation:

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Hollingsworth: "We requested clarifying information from Brian Bailey, ex-KD5PXQ. His license was set aside by the Wireless Bureau on October 19th. We want to know his exact whereabouts on two specific days in September. Bailey has been in touch with us and is deciding weather to provide the information."
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According to Hollingsworth, the information that the FCC wants from Bailey relates to allegations of unlicensed operations and malicious interference. (FCC, RAIN)

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HELPING HAMS: HAMDIHAMS NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS

This note: The Courage HandiHam System has a new electronic mail address. You can now reach the group at handiham@courage.org. You may also contact its Director Pat Tice directly at wa0tda@arrl.net. (HandiHams)

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CONVENTIONS: HAMVENTION SAYS BRING YOUR BUS AND LAVE THE PARKING SPOT TO US

Free parking at the HARA Arena for Hamvention? Well, kind of. Its free if you leave your car at home and charter a bus to bring in a pretty large group of people to the event. Amateur News Weekly's Phil Thomas, W8RMJ has the not so complex details:

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For Amateurs who charter a bust to make the annual journey to Hamvention, the Dayton Hamvention Committee will reserve a parking place for your chartered bus for the entire three days of Hamvention. The reserved parking will be close to the HARA Arena Complex, allowing not only a place to secure your valued purchases, but also a place to rest those weary feet after walking many, many miles of Hamvention. Space is limited for the new charter bus parking area. Pre registration is required. Availability is on a first come, first served basis.

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For more information on the new on-site charter bus parking offer or to reserve a space, please contact the Dayton Hamvention office. It's open normal business hours Eastern Standard Time at are code (937) 276-6930. You can also fax your request toll free at
1-800-491-4267. (Amateur News Weekly)

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CONFERENCES: SE VHF SOCIETY IN APRIL

Greg Robinson KB4NVD says over the VHF Reflector that the Sixth Annual Southeastern VHF Society Conference will take place April 26th through the 27 Th. in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. The conference, hosted by the Southeastern VHF Society, promises to be an interesting and exciting event with presentations from accomplished VHF and up amateur radio enthusiasts from several parts of the country. Registration, program details, hotel and travel information can be found in cyberspace at www.svhfs.org. (SE VHF Society)

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HAM RADIO EVENTS: KIDS DAY A BIG MID-WEST SUCCESS

The first Kids Day operating event for 2002 was a rousing success in many venues. But in one Mid-West city a bit of coverage on a local T-V station helped to make it even better. Again to Amateur News Weekly and reporter Jack Parker, W8ISH:

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Kids Day at the Indianapolis Chapter of the American Red Cross got a boost when event coordinator Stece Wendt, KB9RDS, made an appearance on a local TV news program. During the two minute segment. Wendt told viewers that all kids and their parents were welcome to share in the Amateur Radio experience, including an introduction to Morse Code, VHF repeaters and HF:

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Wendt: “And then we turn around tand take them over to the big radios -- the big base station radios where they can talk -- literally -- around the world.”
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This is the second year the local Red Cross chapter has shown young people how to tune in the world.

Reporting from Indianapolis Indians for Amateur News Weekly, This is Jack Parker, W8ISH.

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This is just one of many Kids Day success stories. We will have more in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (Amateur News Weekly)

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BREAK 2

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, with links to the world from our only official website - www.arnewsline.org.

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ARNEWSLINE(tm) FINANCIAL UPDATE WITH N6TCQ

It’s time for a report on the financial situation here at Amateur Radio Newsline. With it is our Support Fund Administrator and Corporate Treasurer, Andy Jarema, N6TCQ:

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It is January of 2002. A brand new year for ham radio. And the beginning of another year for us here at the Amateur Radio Newsline. And as we start off the new year, here are the current finances.

Looking in the new corporate checkbook, the balance shows us at about $700 give or take a few bucks. Not very much when you consider that it takes over a thousand dollars a month to produce these weekly 20 minute Q-S-T’s.

Obviously, Amateur Radio Newsline is going to need your help -- and -- need it quickly to keep it from going away and to keep the news of ham radio coming your way.

We have done all that is possible from our side to keep costs under control. But, some fixed expenses like the telephone and long distance calling are a must have. So are electronic mail and world wide web access. There is the cost of the routine maintenance on the tape machines and editing gear. And in a few months the Newsline sponsored Young Ham of the Year Award will be rolling our way. All of this adds up and some costs just keep going up. When you add it all up and average it out, it comes to that $1000 a month figure I just mentioned.

So now is the time when Amateur Radio Newsline has to ask to ask that you help to keep its newscasts coming your way. Your tax deductible contributions can be sent to the Newsline Support Fund, Post Office Box 660937, Arcadia California. The Zipcode is 91066.

Ill be back within the next few weeks with an update on how things are going. For now from the Amateur Radio Newsline support center, I'm Andy Jarema, N6-Tiny-California-Quake.

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Don't worry if you missed the address. It will be repeated in a few minutes at the end of this weeks newscast. (ARNewsline(tm) Support Fund)

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ARNEWSLINE(tm): WE ARE GOING MP3

One other piece of news concerning Amateur Radio Newsline. As of March 1st, we will be dropping Real Audio and going exclusively MP3. Why the change? Well ever since we began posting a downloadable MP3 file at our own FTP site along side the Real Audio file, 9 out of 10 people have chosen the MP3. And with good reason. MP3 simply sounds a lot better than Real Audio to most of you. And by dropping the Real Audio, we can make the MP3 sound even better by encoding at a higher bit rate.

Right now, you can still compare the two formats if you like. Until February 22nd we will continue to post both Real Audio and MP3. Take the time to download both. And don't worry. Most modern media players including Real Audio, Microsoft Media and Winamp play MP3 so the chances are that you are already equipped to cover of the digital format change. (ARNewsline(tm))

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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: THE NOISE OF EARTH

According to Space Daily, researchers have known for three decades that the Earth is a potent radio transmitter, but they were never able to pinpoint where the noise was coming from. Recently, by using data from the four spacecraft of the European Space Agency's Cluster mission, NASA-funded scientists have precisely located the source of the radio noise along the magnetic field lines. The noise originates several thousand miles above bright regions in the Earth's
northern lights. (AMSAT, Space Daily)

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INTERNATIONAL-CANADA: ARE AGREEMENT IN B.C.

Turning to international news, Radio Amateurs of Canada which sponsors that nation’s Amateur Radio Emergency Service has signed a Letter Of Understanding and the British Columbia Provincial Emergency Radio Communication Service. The letter represents the collaboration between Radio Amateurs of Canada’s British Columbia Section Manager Fred Orsetti VE7IO and Supervisor of Information and Communications Technology for the Provincial Emergency Program Andrew Bryan VE7KSN, to provide a cooperative plan to carry out emergency communication. The letter also further enhances the work of the Canadian ARES program and compliments the Memorandum of Understanding signed May of 1994 between Radio Amateurs of Canada and Red Cross. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: VE1AWA RESIGNS AS MARITIME PROVENCES SM

Due to personal reason Roy MacIntosh, VE1AWA has stepped down from the position of Section Manager for the Maritimes. Tom Caithness, VE1GTC has been appointed acting Section Manager pending outcome of the upcoming election call. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: AMSAT-UK COLLOQUIUM

The 17th AMSAT-UK Colloquium will be held at Surrey University in Guildford from the 26th to 28th of July this year. AMSAT-UK is now inviting speakers to submit papers about amateur radio space and associated activities for this event and for the Proceedings document. Offers of papers should be submitted as soon as possible and should be sent only to Richard Limebear, G3RWL. His e-mail goes to g3rwl@amsat.org. (AMSAT-UK)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: WEBSITE UPDATE

AMSAT reports that IK8XLD has updated his website with information about satellite operations, EME, the ham radio operation on the International Space Station, ATV and homebrew equipment. You can visit Rocco’s website at www.qsl.net/ik8xld. (ANS)

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DX

In DX, DJ4KW and DK9GG are active from Belize as V31YN and V31GW respectively until about the 2nd of February. Activity is on CW, RTTY and PSK 31. (GB2RS)

And KE1F will be active on 10 to 160 meters CW, SSB and perhaps RTTY as ZF2LM from Grand Cayman Island from the 14th to 30th of January. (GB2RS)

Also R1ANF began operations as CE9 slash R1ANF on the 29th of December from a Chilean base in the South Shetland Islands. He is active on 10 to 28 MHz with 100 watts to an R6000 vertical. For all three, QSL as directed on the air. (OPDX)

Last but by no means least, word that JX7DFA, is on a job assignment to Jan Mayen. He is operating as LA7DFA. QSL via his home call. He will reply when he returns home in the Spring. (Modern DX)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A CALL FOR ARDF HUNTERS FOR THE WORLD GAMES

And finally this week, 2002 may be the biggest year yet for fans of hidden transmitter hunts, especially the ones that are all on foot. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Joe Moell K0OV helps coordinate happenings like these and has news of two major events.
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Every two years, hams from around the world gather to see who is best at on-foot hidden transmitter hunting, also called foxtailing, radio-orienteering and ARDF. There are separate events on eighty meters and two meters, each with five transmitters scattered in a forest that can encompass 1000 acres or more.

Competitors are divided into five categories for males and four categories for females. Each country may have up to three persons per category on its team.

Back in Y2K, the championships were in China, with a dozen stateside hams among the competitors from 26 countries. This year, the excitement moves to Slovakia and takes place from September 2 through 7. Once again, ARDF Team USA will be there.

Would you like to be on that team? If so, contact me right away, because USA must submit its Letter of Intent to the Slovakian hosts by the end of January.

Of course you'll need lots of practice beforehand, and you can get plenty by attending USA's own national ARDF championships, which will be April 19-21 in Pine Mountain, Georgia, near Atlanta.

Find out about both championships -- Slovakia and Pine Mountain -- by visiting my Web site: www.homingin.com. Homingin is one word. Then apply for the Team USA roster at my e-mail address on that site, or by postal mail to my callbook address.

Maybe you'll bring home a medal this year. From southern California, where this year's local radio-orienteering training sessions will begin soon, this is Joe Moell K-zero-Oscar-Victor for Amateur Radio Newsline.

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In case you missed it, Joe’s website is www.homingin.com. “homeingin” is one word. (K0OV, ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm _____ saying welcome to the year 2002, 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

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Terminal Break

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RAIN promo
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92. Ham Radio University 2002 for Long Island

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-19 01:55:13 UTC
From: GSBARC <info@gsbarc.org>
Message-ID: <5m428.9140$8P3.2811222@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 5027
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Ham Radio University 2002/ARRL New York City-Long Island Section Convention

North Babylon, New York - On Sunday, January 20, 2002 at 8AM, the doors of the Babylon Town Hall Annex on Phelps Lane will open for the third annual Ham Radio University. Ham Radio University 2002 is a day of education about Amateur Radio.

This year the forums have been expanded and new forums have been added. There will be twenty, one-hour presentations with special forums geared to the non-ham as well as the experienced ham radio operator. The focus will be "hands on" with many demonstrations.

Come join us at the Babylon Town Hall Annex, Phelps Lane, North Babylon, Long Island, and learn about everything from satellite communications, low power operating using radios as small as a tuna tin, how to put up an emergency antenna, the latest information on advanced digital communications, finding and fixing radio frequency interference problems to purchasing your first station equipment or handi-talkie and a special "Ask the Experts" forum. There will also be a Special Event Station W2V set up and operational on HF. There will live SSTV pictures uploaded to the NLI WWW during the event.

TALK-IN W2GSB/r 146.685 -600 110.9 PL

HRU 2002 is sponsored by the Great South Bay ARC and is a cooperative effort between over twenty clubs and organizations in the New York City- Long Island area. It is also the American Radio Relay League, New York City-Long Island Section Convention. Besides the forums, there will be tables set up with information about the different groups, ham radio classes, exam session schedules, public service and other activities.

Join us for a day of fun and education for the whole family!
Admission is open to all - donation is $2 per person.
(complimentary refreshments available)

For more information contact:
Phil Lewis N2MUN, Chairman, n2mun@arrl.net or call 631-226-0698
George Tranos N2GA, ARRL NLI Section Manager, n2ga@arrl.org or call 631-286-7562

Additional information on the WWW at http://hudson.arrl.org/nli
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93. Re: Icom 756

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-19 03:27:01 UTC
From: eborys <eborys@home.com>
Message-ID: <9I528.749$gW4.696259@news1.rdc1.mi.home.com>
Source record: 5028

I had an 756. I had a 756PRO and I should have a 756PRO II on Monday.\

First of, I work CW about 99%. The difference between the 756 and 756PRO is significant. With the prices of the PROs low right now, and you know that any used ones aren't more than 1 1/2 yrs old, I would get a PRO. The DSP filters are great and you can read RTTY right on the LCD display. The spectrum display (on all 756s) is one of those "I'll never do without" features. Once you work a contest, or search a dead band for a qsl, the spectrum display is a must have.

The first two 756s worked great for me, and I am far from having either and ideal location or antenna.
73,
ak9i

"WRL" <nhpi@mediaone.net> wrote in message
news:Pgn%7.102218$5W5.26709899@typhoon.ne.mediaone.net...
> Does anyone have any comments on the Icom 756? I am thinking of getting one.
>
> Bill KB1FWY
>
>

94. Mod Data for Yaesu FTC4610 Transciever

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-19 20:15:22 UTC
From: Simon Lipscomb <simon.lipscomb@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <a2ck4q$t93$1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 5029

I have got a Yaesu FTC4610 Crystal Controlled UHF Transceiver, and I want to tune it up onto 70cms.
Does anybody have any alignment data?. Any help would be much appreciated.
Thank you
Simon Lipscomb
G0JBQ
Please reply to
simon.lipscomb@btinternet.com

95. For Sale Dentron MLA-2500

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 05:30:06 UTC
From: Kc6Lsp@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <5dc8e882.0201192130.23b96bce@posting.google.com>
Source record: 5030

Dentron MLA-2500 2KW linear amplifier,
160-10 Meters. Unit operates on all bands, with low hours on finals. Final tube compliment are (2) 8875 Ceramic Triodes from Eimac. Finals will be pulled, and packed separate from Amplifier to prevent damage. Shipped insured.
500.00 plus shipping in US.
Thanks for your time!

96. electronic service manual for FT-1000

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 11:14:33 UTC
From: ik3umt@ir3ip.net
Message-ID: <3ade42eb.0201200314.5f970f80@posting.google.com>
Source record: 5031

HI,
Is there an internet source to download ft-1000 service manual (i.e. .pdf .doc ecc.ecc.) ????
Thank-you very much !

73 de IK3UMT

Visit http://www.ir3ip.net tnx !

97. Re: frequencies...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 15:45:47 UTC
From: Dave Moorman <dmoorman4@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <dmoorman4-886EAD.09454920012002@news.attbi.com>
Source record: 5032

In article <B86A3DA3.C39%dancorbett@mac.com>,
Dan Corbett <dancorbett@mac.com> wrote:

> I don't know much about radio. I'm just wondering what frequency range a
> subway tunnel maintenance crew would use.
> Any help?
>

Dan -

This would be an excellent question for rec.radio.scanner. Different
municipalities use different frequencies, also, so you'd have to supply
the city that you are in, too.

Dave

--
Dave Moorman
Downers Grove,
Illinois USA

Some men dream of fortunes, others dream of cookies.

98. WTB-BELT CLIP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 16:56:41 UTC
From: n2ion@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020120115641.23494.00004171@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 5033

I'M LOOKING FOR AN ORIGINAL BELT CLIP FOR AN ICOM IC-32AT RADIO.
EMAIL IF YOU HAVE ONE.

THANKS IN ADVANCE

99. Re: AES and HRO "in bed" together?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 17:55:47 UTC
From: "Gregory M. Gauthier" <gmgauthi@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <3c4b03d3$1_9@news.teranews.com>
Source record: 5034

You know, just because the numbers are sequential and identical in format does necessarily not PROVE the two companies are somehow "in cahoots" with each other.

What is more likely the case, is that either:

a) The two companies use identical billing software packages, and our friend here just happened to be the lucky recipient of sequentially matching billing numbers.

OR (even more likely)

b) That the two companies, as small as they are, cannot afford their own order fulfillment systems, and have both contracted to the same warehouse/order fulfillment firm for services like billing, or packing/shipping.

"Bill Nelson" <billn@spock.peak.org> wrote in message news:a20ot8$g8a$7@quark.scn.rain.com...
> VHFRadioBuff <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote:
>
> > The numbers aren't lost, I'm just not going to post my confirmation numbers on
> > the internet.
>
> Ah. Well, could you do so after you receive the merchandise?
>
> --
> Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)
>

100. WeatherFax on Macintosh

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 18:58:29 UTC
From: Christopher Field <cfield1@maine.rr.com>
Message-ID: <B8707E14.1831%cfield1@maine.rr.com>
Source record: 5035

I have a Macintosh Laptop (G3 proc) and a Sony ICF-2010 Shortwave receiver. My question is this: Can I decode WeatherFax transmissions using only this equipment and what is the best/cheapest (tradeoff) software for me to accomplish this with?

I figured just using the line out port on the Sony to my microphone jack on the Apple would work but I have not been able to even fairly strong CW signals with Multimode Lite.

Any guidance would be greatly appreciated. TIA

-Chris

101. NEED MAUAL FOR ALINCO DJV5-TH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 20:49:30 UTC
From: sefritts@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <3c4b2d45.131027@news.lig.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 5036

HI ALL,

I NEED THE MANUAL FOR THE ALINCO DJV5-TH HAND HELD. CAN ANYONE HELP?

THANKS

STEVE WA4GZE

102. Manual for PAULDON PD-ATV-50 70 CM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 21:59:16 UTC
From: mrthoms7@pacbell.net
Message-ID: <3c4b3da4.5844198@news.sf.sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 5040

I am looking For Schematic or Manual for a - 70 CM PD-ATV-50 PAULDON
or, and old broshures.
and any info about the bricks, Amps -M67728 or M67705M
Where can they be purcased how much they cost.. I have digital
pic if you need more info

Thank you

Tom KF6RTY email- mrthoms7@pacbell.net

103. NEED MANUAL FOR ICOM 730

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 22:11:02 UTC
From: sefritts@bellsouth.net
Message-ID: <3c4b4069.1741305@news.lig.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 5037

Hello all,

I need a manual for an Icom 730.

Thanks!

Steve WA4GZE

104. help with FT101

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 22:56:29 UTC
From: jeffory hall W4HQ <jhall5@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <%VH28.25902$Y17.2037886@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 5038

TNX fer Looking.. on the Yaesu FT101 Hetrodyne crystal board there are sockets available for 12 crystals. however the switch allows only selection of 11.. what is this additional socket for.. could it be as simple as storage for an extra rock?? tnx w4hq jeff in west palm beach..please reply to
jhall5@bellsouth.net

73s--
Jeffory K. Hall

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Jeffory K. Hall

105. help with ft101

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-20 22:57:12 UTC
From: jeffory hall W4HQ <jhall5@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <HWH28.25919$Y17.2038673@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 5039

TNX fer Looking.. on the Yaesu FT101 Hetrodyne crystal board there are sockets available for 12 crystals. however the switch allows only selection of 11.. what is this additional socket for.. could it be as simple as storage for an extra rock?? tnx w4hq jeff in west palm beach..please reply to
jhall5@bellsouth.net

73s--
Jeffory K. Hall

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Jeffory K. Hall

106. items for sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-21 15:43:08 UTC
From: esada@attbi.com
Message-ID: <3C4C371E.69812CF6@attbi.com>
Source record: 5041

Here's some interesting stuff I found on ebay.

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1323557017

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1324632404

107. Hairpin filter articles

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-21 17:26:19 UTC
From: The Technical Manager <techman@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3C4C4F3B.8CC39219@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Source record: 5042
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.components,sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

A number of articles on hairpin bandpass filters were written by Rick Campbell KK7B and Jim Davey WA8NLC and published in QST and QEX.

In which issues did these articles appear ?

108. Wanted : TA53M antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-21 20:15:10 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020121151510.24687.00001068@mb-fg.aol.com>
Source record: 5043

Looking for a TA53M antenna in good shape reasonable price. Thanks

109. Re: frequencies...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-21 20:26:17 UTC
From: jim.bolinger@lintek.aeroflex.com
Message-ID: <8d5ec8a2.0201211226.29060ae7@posting.google.com>
Source record: 5044

Dave Moorman <dmoorman4@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:<dmoorman4-886EAD.09454920012002@news.attbi.com>...
> In article <B86A3DA3.C39%dancorbett@mac.com>,
> Dan Corbett <dancorbett@mac.com> wrote:
>
> > I don't know much about radio. I'm just wondering what frequency range a
> > subway tunnel maintenance crew would use.
> > Any help?
> >
>
> Dan -
>
> This would be an excellent question for rec.radio.scanner. Different
> municipalities use different frequencies, also, so you'd have to supply
> the city that you are in, too.
>
> Dave

At what frequency would the typical subway be a waveguide, I wonder?

Would that be the 'optimum'?

Jim
N8EE

110. Re: WeatherFax on Macintosh

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-21 21:07:23 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0201211307.6173e0d8@posting.google.com>
Source record: 5045

Christopher Field <cfield1@maine.rr.com> wrote in message
news:<B8707E14.1831%cfield1@maine.rr.com>...
> I have a Macintosh Laptop (G3 proc) and a Sony ICF-2010 Shortwave receiver.
> My question is this: Can I decode WeatherFax transmissions using only this
> equipment and what is the best/cheapest (tradeoff) software for me to
> accomplish this with?
>
> I figured just using the line out port on the Sony to my microphone jack on
> the Apple would work but I have not been able to even fairly strong CW
> signals with Multimode Lite.
>
> Any guidance would be greatly appreciated. TIA
>
> -Chris

Is the program giving an indication of an input signal actually being
there? IE: tuning scope, etc. I'm not sure what is out there for
mac's. There are many programs out there for DOS and windows. Is there
any way you can use a dos emulator program? I would think the software
you have should work if it's for mac. You may having a timing problem,
or you may have a lot of local noise that is confusing the program in
copying cw. Or you may have a problem with the modem connection and
have no signal to the program. I don't copy many wefaxes now with the
internet, but I used to copy them every day a few years ago. My
favorite software was pc-hf fax for DOS. That was used with a simple
op-amp modem/converter. That gave me the highest quality grey scale
pix of all the softwares I tried. The programs for multimode digital
stuff had the worst quality in general unless they used a simple
op-amp converter.I downloaded a program a while back called wxsat that
will work, but it's for windows soundcard. I'm now all windows
soundcard based as far as all my radio softwares. Well, actually one
of my DSP programs is DOS, but I still run it in windows as a dos box.
You might consider getting a beater computer just for radio stuff that
you can run windows on. There is much more software out there if you
do. I use hamscope for psk31/cw etc. I've been using mmsstv lately for
sstv, with the wxsat program for any wefax I run into. It makes it
easy because all run off the same device. No juggling of cables, etc.
I also copy other stuff like airline acars, selcal, etc. It's almost
endless what you can do. I have outboard DSP programs that blow the
factory radio stuff away unless it's high end. My 706's built in DSP
is useless in comparison. Also have spectrum analysers and other toys
to wink and blink. I can record stuff off the air, and play it back to
you with very good quality, and also have a logging program that has a
clock/timer program built into it. I can set it to ID every ten

minutes, and play any type wav file I set it to. I could set it up to ID in my own voice every ten minutes if I wanted to. I usually just have it chime using a wav of a southwest airlines seatbelt warning bell. :) I also get good audio out due to listening on good speakers from the sound card instead of the dinky radio audio. Makes my 706 sound more like 756 as far as audio, and I have the outboard DSP power to match. I use a 706g as the puter radio as it will go nearly anywhere as far as freq/modes. I can also control the radio, and rewrite memory banks etc if I needed to. MK

111. Re: Mobile Antenna for ICOM 706?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-21 21:43:18 UTC
From: pa3duv@planet.nl
Message-ID: <9bef0c37.0201211343.57ecef71@posting.google.com>
Source record: 5046

You did the right thing Bob. The 706 is a nice radio.
If you want to cover the HF bands consider a motorized center loaded
vertical, like the Stealth II series from http://www.hiqantennas.com

For 2 meter any 1/4 or 5/8 vertical will do.
Check my website for the mobile HF set-up, different pictures:
http://home.planet.nl/~pa3duv

73, Dick PA3DUV

"rljames" <rljames@netacc.net> wrote in message news:<3c306354$1@news.netacc.net>...
> New owner of ICOM 706 and novice amateur needs some advice...
>
> As I understand my owners manual the ICOM internally switches between its
> two antenna connections at around 60MHz. However, I'd like to use only one
> antenna on my vehicle but still have full advantage of the 706.
>
> So, I guess the question is, How do I best do this? Would most likely want
> to focus on 2Meter band. Don't want elaborate (expensive) antenna and tend
> to like the Firestik line style or similar.
>
> Thanx,
> Bob
> Rochester, NY

112. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 04:03:36 UTC
From: philrut1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020121230336.13573.00004829@mb-fo.aol.com>
Source record: 5047

>n honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Day, I am reposting my brief honest
>editorial in his honor. Any THOUGHTFUL (yes, that means non-racist) replies
>are certainly welcome.
>*******
>"Anyone who attends a ham club meeting would have to agree that certain
>minorities, especially, African Americans, are grossly underrepresented in
>our
>hobby. I believe, and I think many of you will agree, that perhaps we should
>remedy the effects of past discrimination by some sort of affirmative action
>allowing underrepresented minorities a FAIR OPPORTUNITY to get their tickets.
>Much has recently been reported in the last decade of growing "electronic
>divide" in the percentage of white versus black households having computers
>and
>Internet access. You would all have to agree that this "electronic divide"
>has
>ALWAYS been in the amateur radio hobby. This would be a perfect time in our
>country's history, especially in light of the dwindling numbers of potential
>hams lost to the computer hobbyists, to begin thinking about policies that
>might create real interest in our great hobby. My ideas of remedies for past
>discrimination include DROPPING THE CODE REQUIREMENT FOR MINORITY APPLICANTS
>and possibly WAIVING SOME SECTIONS OF THE EXAMS. Such remedies are a way to
>ensure an integrated society of amateurs and allow equal opportunity.
>Numerical
>goals for admission to our great hobby is necessary to integrate a hobby
>traditionally closed to minorities because of discrimination. At a time when
>our hobby needs a shot in the arm, these kind of policies might help in
>increasing our numbers and preserving our power to demand that no more of our
>frequencies be taken away. Any THOUGHTFUL replies are welcomed."
>
>
> Oh, not this horse shit thread again!!!
>
>
>
>

113. Manual for PAULDON PD-ATV-50 70 CM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 07:02:13 UTC
From: mrthoms7@pacbell.net
Message-ID: <3c4d0e6b.10100137@news.sf.sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 5048

I am looking For Schematic or Manual for a - 70 CM PD-ATV-50 PAULDON
or, and old broshures.
and any info about the bricks, Amps -M67728 or M67705M
Where can they be purcased how much they cost.. I have digital
pic if you need more info

Thank you

Tom KF6RTY email- mrthoms7@pacbell.net

114. FA: KENWOOD TS-570-D(G) HF 160m-10m No Reserve Mint Condition

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 08:38:10 UTC
From: Tex <tex@who.net>
Message-ID: <Qv938.34714$Y17.2902024@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 5049

KENWOOD TS-570-D(G) HF 160m-10m No Reserve Mint Condition

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1324336499

115. Re: WeatherFax on Macintosh

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 10:29:10 UTC
From: Eamon Skelton <Xnospam@oceanfree.net>
Message-ID: <mtej2a.hc8.ln@my.linux.box>
Source record: 4852

In article <25eb70d7.0201211307.6173e0d8@posting.google.com>, Mark Keith wrote:

> You might consider getting a beater computer just for radio stuff that
> you can run windows on. There is much more software out there if you
> do. I use hamscope for psk31/cw etc. I've been using mmsstv lately for
> sstv, with the wxsat program for any wefax I run into.

You could try running Linux on your G3. There is a
lot of amateur radio software available for Linux.

http://radio.linux.org.au/ is the first place to look.

73, Ed. EI9GQ.

--
Remove 'X' to reply.
http://homepage.eircom.net/~ei9gq
Linux 2.4.17

116. Ever seen a Nixie Clock ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 16:32:57 UTC
From: fixitsan@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020122113257.05387.00000451@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 4850

A clock using nixie tubes for the display has appeared on Ebay
www.ebay.co.uk
Item number is 1066505450 or just do a search for 'nixie clock'

117. Re: WeatherFax on Macintosh

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 17:35:50 UTC
From: Michael Carter <mikec@aviate.org>
Message-ID: <3C4DA2F5.6E3D6F9F@aviate.org>
Source record: 4851

Chris...

Yes absolutely!

MulitMode is a terrific Mac app by Black Cat Systems! It has more than 12 modes you can monitor (and transmit if you are licensed), including RTTY, Slow scan TV, CW (morse code), WEFAX, PSK31, Packet and much more! I've been using it on my Mac for a couple years now with great success.

If you are interested in Mac software for Amateur Radio/Showtwave listenging, check out the following sites:

* MacHam: hardware and software solutions for the Mac ham:

http://www.macham.com

* MultiMode and other great Mac software for hams:

http://www.blackcatsystems.com

I'm working on several Amateur Radio applications as well. They include contesting software and logging. They'll show up on MacHam once they are ready.

Regards,
Mike Carter - K6MEC
mikec@aviate.org

Christopher Field wrote:

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> -Chris

118. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 18:39:38 UTC
From: Matt <mthomas@biocontrolsys.com>
Message-ID: <3c4db1b8$1_2@news.nwlink.com>
Source record: 4853

While what you suggest is, indeed, action, it is hardly affirmative in nature. You seem to be suggesting that minorities are incapable of learning morse code and should somehow be exempt from knowledge of the rules and regulations by which they much practice the hobby. A better and more affirmative action would be to try harder to offer learning programs in minority neighborhood centers or school disticts, to offer code and rules classes at public libraries accessible to minority populations. The code requirement seems like it will soon bite the dust in spite of people who want to keep it, so perhaps you'll be receiving that part of your wish.

Your desires are admirable, but I don't agree with the steps you suggest. It's a bit like saying that affirmative action in commericial driving should start with minority drivers not having to take parts of the driver license exam/test drive. Action good. Exemption from knowledge bad.

73,
Matt

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119. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-22 21:36:55 UTC
From: eustiscornhauser@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <e9af79fa.0201221336.7dbb5f87@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4854

> > In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Day, I am reposting my brief honest
> > editorial in his honor. Any THOUGHTFUL (yes, that means non-racist)
> replies
> > are certainly welcome.
> > *******
> > "Anyone who attends a ham club meeting would have to agree that certain
> > minorities, especially, African Americans, are grossly underrepresented in
> our
> > hobby.

And, fortunately we've been for the most part successful in keeping it
that way.

> I believe, and I think many of you will agree, that perhaps we
> should
> > remedy the effects of past discrimination by some sort of affirmative
> action
> > allowing underrepresented minorities a FAIR OPPORTUNITY to get their
> tickets.

Unfortunately in order to do that we'd have to make the form 610's big
enough so that they can be filled out with a can of spray paint.

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> > divide" in the percentage of white versus black households having
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> > hams lost to the computer hobbyists, to begin thinking about policies that
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What are we going to do, have a jive test instead of a morse code
test? Can drums be modified to send cw?

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Well, that sounds like a good idea, unfortunately none of the ham
radio stores accept food stamps so what you would in effect doing
would be starting a crime wave in which cars and houses are broken
into and people murdered for their radio equipment.

120. County Hunting Question..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 00:39:15 UTC
From: Bill Brannick <WmLB@prefer.net>
Message-ID: <e91s4uok4t5uh9bei7daldfnrojddrdo2j@4ax.com>
Source record: 4855

Is there a list somewhere that shows how to associate independent
cities in Virginia with counties (if one is allowed to do that at all)
And what about Carson City, NV and the whole state of Alaska which has
no counties...just districts..

And what about Washington. DC.. no county there either???

Bill, W6WLB

121. Re: WeatherFax on Macintosh

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 02:31:32 UTC
From: Christopher Field <cfield1@maine.rr.com>
Message-ID: <8gp38.15035$zJ3.992355@typhoon.maine.rr.com>
Source record: 4856

Thank you for your comments(Mike, Ed, and Marc).

I thought I had the right equipment and was not lacking a go between. I'll have to focus more on better antenna solutions although I am fairly limited in choices since I am an apartment dweller. I have been impressed with the capability of MultiMode so far. I haven't taken the technician exam yet so I can only play with receiving portion but I think it will work well in the future for me once I am licensed.

I do have a Pentium desktop that I use for business apps but I would like to start configuring my Macintosh towards hobby work especially since it is a laptop. Ed - You're not the only person who has tried to get me to switch to Linux on the Mac. I might just have to experiment a little with that.

-Chris

"Michael Carter" <mikec@aviate.org> wrote in message
news:3C4DA2F5.6E3D6F9F@aviate.org...
> Chris...
>
> Yes absolutely!
>
> MulitMode is a terrific Mac app by Black Cat Systems! It has more than 12
> modes you can monitor (and transmit if you are licensed), including RTTY,
Slow
> scan TV, CW (morse code), WEFAX, PSK31, Packet and much more! I've been
using
> it on my Mac for a couple years now with great success.
>
> If you are interested in Mac software for Amateur Radio/Showtwave
listenging,
> check out the following sites:
>
> * MacHam: hardware and software solutions for the Mac ham:
>
> http://www.macham.com
>
> * MultiMode and other great Mac software for hams:
>
> http://www.blackcatsystems.com
>
> I'm working on several Amateur Radio applications as well. They include
> contesting software and logging. They'll show up on MacHam once they are
> ready.
>

>
> Regards,
> Mike Carter - K6MEC
> mikec@aviate.org
>
> Christopher Field wrote:
>
> > I have a Macintosh Laptop (G3 proc) and a Sony ICF-2010 Shortwave
receiver.
> > My question is this: Can I decode WeatherFax transmissions using only
this
> > equipment and what is the best/cheapest (tradeoff) software for me to
> > accomplish this with?
> >
> > I figured just using the line out port on the Sony to my microphone jack
on
> > the Apple would work but I have not been able to even fairly strong CW
> > signals with Multimode Lite.
> >
> > Any guidance would be greatly appreciated. TIA
> >
> > -Chris
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122. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 03:25:59 UTC
From: "R.U. Amused?" <jandlthomas@spamsuxattbi.com>
Message-ID: <b3q38.1754$KA2.5146@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4857

TROLL.

Having said that, I'll post my reply as well.

The amateur exams have already been "dummied down" enough for ANYONE to pass. If you want these "under-represented members of society" to get involved, I'd suggest offering classes in an inner-city community center or something of the like. Or, buy a book, buy a code tape and do it like the rest of us. Come on, if you listen to the bands it is obvious that every Billy Joe Jimbob in Trailer-park USA can now get a license; I am certain that ANYONE else could pass with some study. This hobby has never been closed to anyone because of "discrimination"; it has only been closed due to ignorance and laziness.

BTW, if you are sincere in your intention to bring ham radio to the under-represented, I'd suggest collecting and distributing previously used study materials. I'd be happy to donate mine, and I am sure others on the net would as well. Send an address, and I will send my books/tapes on their way.

Beyond printing the exam in Ebonics (heavy sarcasm fully intended), I don't think there is much more that could or should be done.

James

"Crt4239" <crt4239@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020121223359.22658.00002902@mb-mi.aol.com...
> In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Day, I am reposting my brief honest
> editorial in his honor. Any THOUGHTFUL (yes, that means non-racist)
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123. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 05:33:02 UTC
From: mee7477@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020123003302.15475.00006437@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4858

i dont believe Dr. King, Jr. has a ticket either...

124. Re: Ever seen a Nixie Clock ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 12:26:24 UTC
From: The Technical Manager <techman@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3C4EABF0.FF992FD3@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Source record: 4859

FixitSan wrote:

> A clock using nixie tubes for the display has appeared on Ebay
> www.ebay.co.uk
> Item number is 1066505450 or just do a search for 'nixie clock'

I think they were once trialled in railway stations in Britain.

125. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 15:21:43 UTC
From: eustiscornhauser@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <e9af79fa.0201230721.4cb4b7b@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4860

"R.U. Amused?" <jandlthomas@spamsuxattbi.com> wrote in message news:<b3q38.1754$KA2.5146@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>...

I think the exams need to be dummied back up where they belong. Who cares if a certain group of people isn't interested in getting on the air. Anyone who wants to get a license can, forget trying to get everyone in the US licensed. If the ARRL had their way, licenses would be given out in cereal boxes. Give them time.

Technicians have always been the bums of the hobby, ever since the license was introduced in the 50's. It was a way to get the terminably lazy and stupid into the hobby. I call tech's "radio niggers."

The tech license needs to be eliminated and noone grandfathered.

The entry level license will be the novice as it was in the 80's, then General, Advanced, and finally Extra.

Eustis M. Cornhauser
"Speaking the truth, even if it hurts"

> TROLL.
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126. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 18:05:37 UTC
From: Chip Griffin <n1mie@NOSPAM.snet.net>
Message-ID: <230120021305372805%n1mie@NOSPAM.snet.net>
Source record: 4861

In article <e9af79fa.0201230721.4cb4b7b@posting.google.com>, Eustis Cornhauser <eustiscornhauser@yahoo.com> wrote:

] Technicians have always been the bums of the hobby, ever since the
] license was introduced in the 50's. It was a way to get the terminably
] lazy and stupid into the hobby. I call tech's "radio niggers."

You wear your bigotry in many ways.

] The tech license needs to be eliminated and noone grandfathered.

Only after you are eliminated. You are a grade 'A' jerk.

] Eustis M. Cornhauser
] "Speaking the truth, even if it hurts"

Either that's not your real name or you don't have a ham license. In either case you are a troll. Welcome to my kill file!

--
N1MIE - FN31xm

127. CW Anniversary Today

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 21:11:41 UTC
From: jilly@geek.com
Message-ID: <4d94aebd.0201231311.7ae89308@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4862

January 22, 1909

Jack Binns stayed at his wireless for 48 hours on the sinking S.S.
Republic

CQD!

http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/rescue/peopleevents/pandeAMEX90.html

http://www.marconicalling.com/museum/html/objects/ephemera/objects-i=537.001-t=2-n=0.html

Jilly
KF4ZEO

128. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 22:22:33 UTC
From: eustiscornhauser@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <e9af79fa.0201231422.6e0cde61@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4863

Chip Griffin <n1mie@NOSPAM.snet.net> wrote in message
news:<230120021305372805%n1mie@NOSPAM.snet.net>...
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>] license was introduced in the 50's. It was a way to get the terminably
>] lazy and stupid into the hobby. I call tech's "radio niggers."
>
> You wear your bigotry in many ways.

I noticed that you didn't argue with what I said. Regarding the
technicians, it's not bigotry, people have a choice as to what license
they have and how lazy they are or aren't.

>
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>
> Only after you are eliminated. You are a grade 'A' jerk.

Again, you're not arguing.

>
>] Eustis M. Cornhauser
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>
> Either that's not your real name or you don't have a ham license. In
> either case you are a troll. Welcome to my kill file!

Maybe you can't spell?

Are you one of those smelly, lazy, no good techs that I was talking
about?

129. Re: DR. KING DAY: AFFIRMATIVE ACTION NEEDED IN HAM RADIO!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-23 23:35:38 UTC
From: philrut1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020123183538.01328.00000190@mb-ba.aol.com>
Source record: 4864

>
>i dont believe Dr. King, Jr. has a ticket either...
>

Naw, he was too busy chasing skirts!!

130. alinco dx70th

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-24 01:00:38 UTC
From: kimmet@ev1.net
Message-ID: <3c525bf8.4190371@news.ev1.net>
Source record: 4865

Alinco Dx 70 TH hf + 6 meter all mode and
general coverage radio.

need to sell this radio to pay house payment
radio was used mobile, have bracket, manual
mic. no dings, no problems with radio,
can be reached at 8177217798 leave message
or after 6pm CST at 8176773078
Kevin Tischler
KM5RT

131. basic radio transmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-24 08:04:02 UTC
From: Eric Heinz <EHeinz@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <SdP38.18775$6L5.3464209@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4866

hey all, i'm looking to basically build a small am/fm transmitter with a couple of miles of range. from what i gather this is based much more on the amplifier you use than the actual transmitter so i wanted to know what difference the transmitter makes. im also unsure how exactly you include the amplifier in the circuit and connect the antannea but i have basic circuit building knowledge and would prefer to build my own. if there are any low price kits however i would be willing to look, but i want to learn more about their functioning as well.

thanks a lot
-eric

132. Re: basic radio transmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-24 13:53:00 UTC
From: derswede@aol.comspam.com
Message-ID: <20020124085300.14951.00000349@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 4867

>hey all, i'm looking to basically build a small am/fm transmitter with a
couple of miles of range. from what i gather this is based much more on the
>amplifier you use than the actual transmitter so i wanted to know what
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>the amplifier in the circuit and connect the antannea but i have basic
>circuit building knowledge and would prefer to build my own. if there are
>any low price kits however i would be willing to look, but i want to learn
>more about their functioning as well.

Eric, the first thing you need to figure out is what frequency. Certain freqs
are "license only" areas...in other words, you'd have to apply for a licence,
etc. in order to transmit. If you get your amateur licence, even the no-code
tech licence would let you experiment on many bands, 50 mhz and up. Easy to
build circuits for those frequencies. Ramsey Electronics and MFJ
(www.mfjenterprises,com, I believe) both offer kits which can get you on the
air. As for homebrew, check out older QST or 73 mags at the next hamfest.
Lots of articles, esp. the 80's mags.

Good luck!
A

133. Antenna Switcher For 450 Ohm Flat Line

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-24 15:14:16 UTC
From: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net>
Message-ID: <3c50222f_1@corp.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 4868

I need a SPDT antenna swiching array for 450 flat line. My existing arrangement uses individal 450 ohm transmission lines to feed each antenna over a considerable distance. This is a rats nest of wires. There are commercial antenna switchers for unbalanced coaxial line but I am not aware of a balanced switcher for balanced lines. I would build it myself but each SPDT relay (P&B PRD type) costs $50.00 plus 15% tax here in VE3 land. That is $300.00 Can just for the relays. Each ceramic feed thru insulator cost $13.00 plus tax and 14 are required. The cost of components is absurd. I want a commercial source of a five position, balanced transmission line to antenna switching arrangement.

John
VA3JQ

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http://www.newsfeeds.com - The #1 Newsgroup Service in the World!
------== Over 80,000 Newsgroups - 16 Different Servers! =-----

134. 1.2 GHz HTs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-24 17:25:09 UTC
From: Angelo Delegeane <sierra77@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <3C504374.D56024C2@attbi.com>
Source record: 4869
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur

1.2 GHz HTs (both monoband and dual band) used to be easy to find but now there aren't very many around. I may be interested in picking one up but I haven't seen any lately. Can anyone suggest a good source or recommend a good 1.2 GHz HT?

Angelo K6ICU

135. I am looking 70 CM PD-ATV-50 PAULDON

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-24 19:44:06 UTC
From: mrthoms7@pacbell.net
Message-ID: <3c5063ea.3444622@news.sf.sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4870

I am looking For Schematic or Manual for a - 70 CM PD-ATV-50 PAULDON
or, and old broshures.
and any info about the bricks, Amps -M67728 or M67705M
Where can they be purcased how much they cost.. I have digital
pic if you need more info

Thank you

Tom KF6RTY email- mrthoms7@pacbell.net

136. Wanted: Yaesu FT727R manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-24 22:51:11 UTC
From: TacTic <george.shaw@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <a2q34uihc1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4871

I urgently need a copy/scan/pdf/Xerox of a operation manual for a Yaesu FT 727R please all costs covered. Bottle of Irish whiskey awaits first to send.

george.shaw@ukf.net

137. Re: CW Anniversary Today

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 03:13:28 UTC
From: Chip Griffin <n1mie@NOSPAM.snet.net>
Message-ID: <240120022213275958%n1mie@NOSPAM.snet.net>
Source record: 4872

In article <4d94aebd.0201231311.7ae89308@posting.google.com>, Jill Dybka <jilly@geek.com> wrote:

] Jack Binns stayed at his wireless for 48 hours on the sinking S.S.
] Republic

Thanks for the education!

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N1MIE - FN31xm

138. NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 03:24:37 UTC
From: k3vr@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <4bfc7bb.0201241924.4fdd5373@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4873
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Get this: I send a package to Colorado via UPS. I label the package with the printed Label ups.com gives you when you have an account with them. I drop off the package at an "Authorized UPS Shipping Center" because it is insured for $3,400 and that is what UPS requires. I get a receipt from the shipping center stating that the item has been properly packed and labeled. OK so far... Four days later a guy in New Jersey at a communications business calls me. "We have your package and we don't know why it came here, but we opened it and read your letter inside. Looks like it is supposed to go to Colorado, what should we do with it?" I tell the guy thanks for calling me and I will call UPS and get back to him. I call 1-800-pickups. The first "support" person hangs up on me. The second says I "should take it up with the shipping center" (all they did was hold it for the truck pickup, the UPS driver in reality should have scanned it upon pickup). I ask to speak to a supervisor. The supervisor is cooperative and I tell her I want the thing overnighted from New Jersey to Colorado since it is "Guaranteed" to be there tomorrow by UPS. She says, "OK, I will call NJ UPS and set that up, they will call you in one hour or less." I thank her VERY much and ask for her name, title, and location. She complies. I am a happy camper. One hour passes, no call, two hours pass, no call. I call UPS back and ask to speak to this individual and... No such individual exists!! By this time it is late so I call and get another person in the morning who tells me to "take it up with the shipper..." I ask to speak to HER Supervisor. Her Supervisor says she will investigate and get back to me.... 7 hours go by. I call her and ask for a status report. Luckily, "she exists." Her answer? "Sir, since the package arrived in NJ and it was signed for; it is considered a completed delivery." I ask, incredulous... "What about my package?" "Sir," she says, "You need to contact the individual in NJ who has your package and ask him to forward it to Colorado for you. Since it was never scanned into our system there will be no charge." UPS at no time took responsibility for this transaction, despite my signed receipt. At no time did they offer a viable solution to a problem they created. At one time I received FALSE information from a UPS employee just to get me off the phone. Hence; I WILL NEVER DEAL WITH UPS AGAIN, and I would urge all persons to carefully consider all other alternatives before trusting anything of value to UPS. Only through the kindness and honesty of an individual in NJ was I able to locate and send my package to its proper destination. Rest assured, when it gets to Colorado, it will not have passed through UPS hands.

139. Wanted: Manual for Yaesu YO-101

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 04:07:20 UTC
From: mee7477@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020124230720.28779.00000099@mb-fy.aol.com>
Source record: 4875

am looking for original or copy of above mentioned equip...thank you for your time and considerations....73's

140. Re: Antenna Switcher For 450 Ohm Flat Line

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 04:12:53 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a2qm05$bb7$2@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4877

Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net> wrote:
> I need a SPDT antenna swiching array for 450 flat line. My existing
> arrangement uses individal 450 ohm transmission lines to feed each antenna
> over a considerable distance. This is a rats nest of wires. There are
> commercial antenna switchers for unbalanced coaxial line but I am not aware
> of a balanced switcher for balanced lines. I would build it myself but each
> SPDT relay (P&B PRD type) costs $50.00 plus 15% tax here in VE3 land. That
> is $300.00 Can just for the relays. Each ceramic feed thru insulator cost
> $13.00 plus tax and 14 are required. The cost of components is absurd. I
> want a commercial source of a five position, balanced transmission line to
> antenna switching arrangement.

Are you using an antenna tuner? If not, can you use coax feed to each
ladder line?

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

141. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 04:12:57 UTC
From: Roy Lewallen <w7el@eznec.com>
Message-ID: <3C50DB49.830F0668@eznec.com>
Source record: 4876
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I've been using UPS air services for around 10 years now. Everything I've ever sent has been delivered to the intended recipient. Only one package I know of was delivered late -- by a day -- and UPS refunded the shipping charge when I brought it to their attention.

Roy Lewallen, W7EL

142. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 04:15:59 UTC
From: " .Your Friend Bill" <none@coqui.net>
Message-ID: <3C50DBFF.884BD888@coqui.net>
Source record: 4878
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Brian wrote:
>
> Get this:
I would urge all persons
> to carefully consider all other alternatives before trusting anything
> of value to UPS.

Maybe they should lower their standards so that deserving minorities
could obtain these jobs.

:-)

Bill

143. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 04:21:03 UTC
From: Bill Aycock <baycock@hiwaay.net>
Message-ID: <3C50DD2F.DB4322B7@hiwaay.net>
Source record: 4879
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Fed-ex is fine if you are a business, have a city address, are in the
yellow pages, and have a sign out front. If you do not qualify, it's
just TS.
I live in a rural area- UPS found out how to find us country folk, a
long time ago. The first delivery FedEx tried, they got lost three
times, and I finally had to get them to sit still so I could find them,
instead of the other way.
The worst is RPS- they sent a semi to deliver a two pound package, and
got where they couldnt turn around.
Bill-W4BSG

Murray Neece wrote:
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> I have only been using them two months, but so far, even though they lost
> a set of tubes...Im much more impressed....UPS damaged about 1 out of 8
> packages over 35 lbs. that I sent....THEY SUCK and now YOU KNOW....BOYCOTT
> em..use fedex they are pretty good so far..73 Murray
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> > less." I thank her VERY much and ask for her name, title, and
> > location. She complies. I am a happy camper. One hour passes, no call,
> > two hours pass, no call. I call UPS back and ask to speak to this
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144. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 05:01:28 UTC
From: Long Island Joe <joe@GETOUTverizon.net>
Message-ID: <IE548.24584$hp6.13778@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4880
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

>Murray Neece wrote snip:
>UPS damaged about 1 out of 8

Well Murray that pretty good for "OOPs"
Them SOB's just smashed a empty anvil flight case coming back from the R-390
(non A) buyer.
Looks like Godzilla took a big bite then a big _
2 huge holes with this black muck and red oil saturating the foam ...(fork
lift ?)
The YL rep say's it was improperly packed...WHAT ?
I dont know, Perhaps this is the new R-390 ventilation mod.
.......Boy am I pissed off !
I cant ship the other radio now

-jOE

Murray Neece wrote in message <3C50F029.5FBB21D2@cableone.net>...
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 05:42:01 UTC
From: Murray Neece <radioranch@cableone.net>
Message-ID: <3C50F029.5FBB21D2@cableone.net>
Source record: 4874
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna
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146. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 07:38:33 UTC
From: rickm <rickm_msn@email.msn.com>
Message-ID: <ubglMNXpBHA.388@cpimsnntpa03>
Source record: 4881
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Actually, you don't need a business address for Fed Ex.

Fed Ex now has a ground service that I've been using for a couple of years. Haven't had any problems with it at all, and it's a heck of a lot cheaper than UPS.

Several years ago, when I owned my own business, I had UPS deliver some C.O.D. packages. I made a mistake and paid for them with cash. A few weeks later, UPS comes back to me and tells me they lost my check and asks me to rewrite the check. When I explained that I paid in cash, they told me I was mistaken, and demanded another check. This went on for a couple of months and then I started getting harrasing phone calls from attorneys representing UPS. It was a total mess, and ended up costing me several thousand dollars. I agree, I'll never use UPS again.

Rick, K6SIX

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 07:47:03 UTC
From: Donovan Smith <donovan@integratasolutions.com>
Message-ID: <MPG.16babb66aa6cd8e3989680@news.cis.dfn.de>
Source record: 4882
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

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Donovan Smith
ICQ: 101193930
http://www.integratasolutions.com

148. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 10:29:58 UTC
From: DeWayne <ke9k@indy.rr.com>
Message-ID: <Gsa48.50347$yy3.9655256@typhoon.neo.rr.com>
Source record: 4883
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> country.

I just ordered from Universal in Ohio. I asked them to ship via USPS as I have had problems with UPS as I stated in another recent thread. I did have a RS DX-398 stolen by USPS and the box was returned empty! Just so happened I was in a hurry and didn't insure it. Makes me wonder if an uninsured packages are targets for theft, since that's the only one stolen. I filed a complaint but to no avail. They told me there are some dishonest people working for them. :(
DeWayne KE9K

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> ICQ: 101193930
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149. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 15:13:14 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020125101314.01253.00000328@mb-cn.aol.com>
Source record: 4884

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Sounds like you should have filed a complaint with the Better Business Buro,
your state's division of consumer affairs and the state Postmaster General.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

150. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 16:02:28 UTC
From: Ben <BennotCasey@ben.ben.net>
Message-ID: <3C5181B5.B4196F72@ben.ben.net>
Source record: 4885
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Hi OM,

Why use a third party shipper like those stores ?
Pay the fee and call them for a UPS Pickup and you are using UPS
(or fedex or usps whoever picks the box up)

by using these 'authorized centers' you are under their thumb if an error

is made. Lost or damaged, that third party shipper has to file the claims

with ups/fedex/etc. not you because you are not shipping the box, the
third
party is shipper and selected the carrier ups etc.

Another tip, if you are buying an item from someone either on auction or
swap, do not let the seller ship the item, call UPS or FEDEX and have the
go and pick it up by using the call service. small fee BUT big
difference..

you are now the sender and you can file the claim if lost/stolen/damaged.

otherwise, you are under the thumb of the seller and only seller can file
the
claim with carrier.

Very complicated but once learned you can have your packages arrive !

73 ben

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151. Re: FED EX - UPS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 16:04:02 UTC
From: Lou <tech@dp.net>
Message-ID: <a2rvn7$1v58$1@news.dp.net>
Source record: 4886
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

While I suppose there is a first time for everything, I've yet to have a problem "with UPS" - myself being a shipper. As for the others, I've had items delivered to me from shippers via Fed Ex, but not RPS. Not even sure if RPS is doing business in our immediate area. I've sent light and heavy items via UPS and never yet a problem or complaints from the receiving parties of any.

Two problems I "did" encounter.....

1. A package that was allegedly shipped and I never received it. NOR did my UPS delivery man recall it. According to the shipper of the item, the item was taken to shipping site. The package and ALL paperwork then disappeared. The tracking number supplied to me at drop off, kept showing "not a valid number". Assuming the shipper did ship it, which I had no reason to doubt as I dealt with them before, sounds more like a clerk problem to me. Though it did take a few weeks to get my money/items replaced, I can't say for certain whose fault that was..... as to the delay to conclude it. Could have been a delay in shipper to start the investigation, the shipping site to do their own investigation. I don't know. All in all, it wasn't too unreasonable an amount of time once I knew "something" was being done about it.

2. Around here, there used to be a few UPS shipping sites. Most stopped taking UPS.. (Mgmt changes they said) Down to about 3 sites within reasonable travel distance, two of them were reasonable in cost both small and large, even with
the site's service fee included. The third was ridiculous.

At the 3rd, I paid as much to send a small box out - as a box 25 times bigger than that - previously from one of the other sites. The other sites are now shut down. I think the 3rd shipping site was over charging on the service fee. I'm not aware of what they are allowed to charge for their fee, so I had no way to challenge it. I suppose I could have said forget it, but the clerk wrote it up before giving me an exact total INCLUDING their fee. Not wanting to look or feel like an idiot (cheap or confrontational) especially without facts to support my claim, I decided to swallow my pride and to let it go this time. But, I've yet to go back. I've been shipping primarily Postal only for that reason - unless I happen to be going near a different site which is a distance away from me.

Now I have to use the charts online for UPS and Postal to get the best rate for the individual package. Personally, I still would prefer UPS. And, if I AM going out and about, I will make the trip to the distant UPS site....

Unless some one can prove to me beyond a shadow of a doubt - otherwise, I don't believe the UPS service itself in any way, was responsible for the two

episodes I experienced.

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Lou
E-Mail: Tech@DP.NET

"rickm" <rickm_msn@email.msn.com> wrote in message
news:ubglMNXpBHA.388@cpimsnntpa03...
> Actually, you don't need a business address for Fed Ex.
>
> Fed Ex now has a ground service that I've been using for a couple of
years.
> Haven't had any problems with it at all, and it's a heck of a lot cheaper
> than UPS.
>
> Several years ago, when I owned my own business, I had UPS deliver some
> C.O.D. packages. I made a mistake and paid for them with cash. A few
weeks
> later, UPS comes back to me and tells me they lost my check and asks me to
> rewrite the check. When I explained that I paid in cash, they told me I
was
> mistaken, and demanded another check. This went on for a couple of months
> and then I started getting harrasing phone calls from attorneys
representing
> UPS. It was a total mess, and ended up costing me several thousand
dollars.
> I agree, I'll never use UPS again.
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> Rick, K6SIX
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> KNOW....BOYCOTT
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152. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 16:45:19 UTC
From: TFW <frankjg@citlink.net>
Message-ID: <u532tcnmmgak58@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4887
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

My company (TFW Inc) has stopped using UPS for similar reasons.

We were receiving a %20 lost shipping and damage rate.

All packages now go thru USPO Priority. Not a single failure in the last 300 ships.

Frank W9LVC

153. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 16:52:53 UTC
From: Jon Van Allen <kf7yn@qwest.net>
Message-ID: <3C518D65.7A84DB36@qwest.net>
Source record: 4888
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

You should have checked old messages within these groups, we have been
talking about avoiding UPS for YEARS!

For packages such as the one you describe, there are other very good
alternatives such as Osborne Air Freight who want to do a good job.

Welcome to the "piss on UPS" crowd.

Jon

Brian wrote:
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> Get this: I send a package to Colorado via UPS. <snip>

154. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 17:18:28 UTC
From: cpa7@qwest.net
Message-ID: <3c519299.5753799@news.qwest.net>
Source record: 4889
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I ask EVERYONE that I do bussiness with to NOT use UPS. They lie
about many things, and if you do not keep copies of EVERYthing that
shows up on their tracking pages, they will deny any problems with
their service. .....Sam in Phoenix

On 24 Jan 2002 19:24:37 -0800, k3vr@hotmail.com (Brian) wrote:

>Get this: I send a package to Colorado via UPS. I label the package
>with the printed Label ups.com gives you when you have an account with
>them. I drop off the package at an "Authorized UPS Shipping Center"
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>less." I thank her VERY much and ask for her name, title, and
>location. She complies. I am a happy camper. One hour passes, no call,
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155. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 19:16:48 UTC
From: Jerry Oxendine <joxendi@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <j4i48.84716$Ee7.5699711@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4890
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Brian <k3vr@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:4bfc7bb.0201241924.4fdd5373@posting.google.com...

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Having said that I, too, would not use UPS, I have broken my word quite a
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Carolina Cyclone antennas I build and ship go out UPS. I use PVC pipe for
shipping containers, and that has proven to prevent the breakage they are so
notorious for. I used to
get lots of broken coil covers, either by simple mashing, or slinging them
on and off trucks. By
using plenty of packing material (bubble wrap, newspaper, etc), I've had
pretty good results so
far (knock, knock).

When I worked in the rail industry, I used to ship as many as 20 packages
per day. What got me torqued at them was the time I carefully packaged a
boiler water sample, cushioned the plastic jar with several layers of bubble
wrap, and put some foam sheet on the top. The package came back marked
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With quite a bit of invective, I explained to
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I had the chance to tell him, of course, and a chance to get a jab in at
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lot of promises and begging and several visits from the customer rep before we shipped with them again.

If they pull a caper like that again on me, now that I am running my own business, it'll be a cold
day in you-know-where before I ship with them again.

73

Jerry
K4KWH
www.qsl.net/k4kwh

156. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 19:56:20 UTC
From: Brian <lib_mrducks@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <ELi48.23316$ZK4.734531@typhoon.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 4891
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

To add more lunacy to the ranting:

I used to own a small computer business and had to have some parts shipped UPS red (overnight) from Seattle, Wa to Waco, Tx. The next day the package did not arrive, so I called my supplier who said the shipment went out with the other overnight pickups at 4pm. We checked the tracking # supplied, and it shows that the package never made it to the first checkpoint, but WAS picked up. I had a good supplier, so they overnighted me the part again and I received it the following day. Here's the gripper though....about 1 week later, a VERY confused FedEx employee walked into my store with my package. It did not have any FedEx shipping credentials on the box, just the UPS shipping labels and my address! The driver did not know how the package made it anywhere with UPS suff on it in the FedEx system, much less how it ended up in his truck for delivery.....all we can figure is that UPS and FedEx were at my supplier's dock at the same time and my package went with the wrong carrier....

Go figure...

Brian

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157. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 21:51:57 UTC
From: matt weber <matthеww50@home.com>
Message-ID: <7qk35ug0pdkgt7jsibhcrlqqvlborfa6o0@4ax.com>
Source record: 4892
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

On Thu, 24 Jan 2002 22:21:03 -0600, Bill Aycock <baycock@hiwaay.net>
wrote:

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158. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 22:22:07 UTC
From: Ken Finney <kenneth.c.finney@boeing.com>
Message-ID: <3C51DA8F.1BDC@boeing.com>
Source record: 4893
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Something that most people don't know about is that the radiation of
mail to eliminate anthrax WILL destroy electronic equipment and part.
There is a somewhat benign warning on www.jedec.org.

Bottom line, don't use the Post Office to mail electronics to zip codes
that begin 202 through 205.

159. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 22:56:44 UTC
From: AB7RS <ab7rs@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <u53om0ic9dr0d8@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4894
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Many of the parcels I deliver for the US postal service are ones that the
sender and probably the recipient wanted to go fedX...but fedX remailed it
to save themselves a trip.Might as well use the postal service to begin
with.
TG
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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-25 23:33:02 UTC
From: Bill Aycock <baycock@hiwaay.net>
Message-ID: <3C51EB2E.C51DEFF1@hiwaay.net>
Source record: 4895
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I was not talking about "these days". The truck was marked "RPS", and
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Bill-W4BSG

matt weber wrote:

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161. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 02:26:40 UTC
From: "Security Unlimited Inc." <securit1951@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <Ato48.15843$ag5.1386642@newsread2.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4896
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

LIKE I SAID UPS IS FULL OF SHIT 24/7!
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ballistic.
> > With quite a bit of invective, I explained to
> > the smart-assed lady that the box wasn't even in the same SOBing box I
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> > pretty sassy (putting it mildly) with her! Finally, I told her, "Tell
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> > what, lady. You pull your
> > records and see how much we ship with you. I happen to be the one that
> > decides who I am
> > gonna use, and YOU don't tell me what box I shipped a package in. And
from
> > now on I will
> > use Fed Ex. YOU can turn it crossways and shove it-- I don't give a
****!"
> > I started shipping
> > via alternate shippers, and I guess UPS sort of "missed" our volume
> because
> > it wasn't long before one of their suit and tie types was in my
warehouse
> > wanting to know what happened.
> > I had the chance to tell him, of course, and a chance to get a jab in at
> > their customer service,
> > telling him about how their smart-mouthed lady was "able" to tell me

what
> > carton I shipped in.
> > He, too, was a little upset when he found out that they had switched
boxes
> > on me. It took a
> > lot of promises and begging and several visits from the customer rep
> before
> > we shipped with them again.
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> > If they pull a caper like that again on me, now that I am running my own
> > business, it'll be a cold
> > day in you-know-where before I ship with them again.
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> > 73
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> > Jerry
> > K4KWH
> > www.qsl.net/k4kwh
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162. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 07:56:56 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a2tng8$l4u$3@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4897
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

In rec.radio.amateur.antenna rickm <rickm_msn@email.msn.com> wrote:

> Several years ago, when I owned my own business, I had UPS deliver some
> C.O.D. packages. I made a mistake and paid for them with cash. A few weeks
> later, UPS comes back to me and tells me they lost my check and asks me to
> rewrite the check. When I explained that I paid in cash, they told me I was
> mistaken, and demanded another check. This went on for a couple of months
> and then I started getting harrasing phone calls from attorneys representing
> UPS. It was a total mess, and ended up costing me several thousand dollars.
> I agree, I'll never use UPS again.

Why did it cost you any money? You had to pay the driver to get the
package. That is sufficient proof that you paid. If UPS lost the payment,
that is not your fault.

I have been that route. A quick letter from my attorney set them straight.

But I avoid UPS whenever possible. They often leave packages sitting on
my front doorstep in the rain. The sometimes leave packages that require
a signature - good thing that I am honest and don't claim that it was
never delivered.

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

163. Alpha 78

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 10:57:47 UTC
From: "K.Larrison" <klarriso@{NOSPAM}tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <LYv48.125933$_w.18162132@typhoon.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4898

does anyone have any info on converting the Alpha 78 to a different tube ?

It runs 3 8874's (3CX400A7)

I was thinking about maybe a pair of 3CX800A7's or maybe an 8877

any info would be helpful

164. Re: so is the USPS !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 11:51:06 UTC
From: Midnight Rider <mrbig@tough.com>
Message-ID: <uLw48.24868$KC1.4373394@news20.bellglobal.com>
Source record: 4899
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I'm still waitting for my package shipped in june 2001 and still haven't arrived
!!!!
Global Priority means slow boat to China and never coming back !!!

"Security Unlimited Inc." <securit1951@earthlink.net> wrote in message
news:Ato48.15843$ag5.1386642@newsread2.prod.itd.earthlink.net...
> LIKE I SAID UPS IS FULL OF SHIT 24/7!
> "Brian" <lib_mrducks@yahoo.com> wrote in message
> news:ELi48.23316$ZK4.734531@typhoon.austin.rr.com...
> > To add more lunacy to the ranting:
> >
> > I used to own a small computer business and had to have some parts shipped
> > UPS red (overnight) from Seattle, Wa to Waco, Tx. The next day the
> package
> > did not arrive, so I called my supplier who said the shipment went out
> with
> > the other overnight pickups at 4pm. We checked the tracking # supplied,
> and
> > it shows that the package never made it to the first checkpoint, but WAS
> > picked up. I had a good supplier, so they overnighted me the part again
> and
> > I received it the following day. Here's the gripper though....about 1
> week
> > later, a VERY confused FedEx employee walked into my store with my
> package.
> > It did not have any FedEx shipping credentials on the box, just the UPS
> > shipping labels and my address! The driver did not know how the package
> > made it anywhere with UPS suff on it in the FedEx system, much less how it
> > ended up in his truck for delivery.....all we can figure is that UPS and
> > FedEx were at my supplier's dock at the same time and my package went with
> > the wrong carrier....
> >
> > Go figure...
> >
> > Brian
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> > "Jerry Oxendine" <joxendi@bellsouth.net> wrote in message
> > news:j4i48.84716$Ee7.5699711@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com...
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> > > Brian <k3vr@hotmail.com> wrote in message

> > > news:4bfc7bb.0201241924.4fdd5373@posting.google.com...
> > >
> > > <<snip>>
> > >
> > > Rest assured, when it gets to Colorado, it will
> > > > not have passed through UPS hands.
> > >
> > >
> > > Having said that I, too, would not use UPS, I have broken my word quite
> a
> > > lot! Most of the
> > > Carolina Cyclone antennas I build and ship go out UPS. I use PVC pipe
> for
> > > shipping containers, and that has proven to prevent the breakage they
> are
> > so
> > > notorious for. I used to
> > > get lots of broken coil covers, either by simple mashing, or slinging
> them
> > > on and off trucks. By
> > > using plenty of packing material (bubble wrap, newspaper, etc), I've had
> > > pretty good results so
> > > far (knock, knock).
> > >
> > > When I worked in the rail industry, I used to ship as many as 20
> packages
> > > per day. What got me torqued at them was the time I carefully packaged a
> > > boiler water sample, cushioned the plastic jar with several layers of
> > bubble
> > > wrap, and put some foam sheet on the top. The package came back marked
> > > "improperly packaged". The kicker was, it wasn't even the same
> > > box I shipped it in and all that packing was missing! I called them and
> > > received the "Yeah, right!" treatment from the rep, and I went
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> > > on me. It took a
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> > > If they pull a caper like that again on me, now that I am running my own
> > > business, it'll be a cold
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165. Re: Alpha 78

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 13:30:32 UTC
From: "Harold E. Johnson" <W4ZCB@Home.com>
Message-ID: <Yby48.2064$gd.393914@news2.nash1.tn.home.com>
Source record: 4900

>
> It runs 3 8874's (3CX400A7)
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> I was thinking about maybe a pair of 3CX800A7's or maybe an 8877

I see from the amp reflector that it's been done, but how well I dunno. Once you do the conversion to 3CX800's what do you do to the cover to match up the ventilation holes? And, the plate voltage isn't high enough to make an 8877 worthwhile.

I'm impressed with the 800's in a friends amp, but sure wouldn't deface the 78 in a hatchet job on the chassis and cover. I just bit the bullet and bought three new Eimacs (After shopping around a bit!) and installed them. The originals had lasted through 19 years of pretty hard use and certainly didn't owe me much. If these will last another 19 years, I probably won't really care.

W4ZCB

166. Need links to Russian Motorola RSS sites

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 17:11:32 UTC
From: Jim Reid <jimreid@nycap.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C52E4C8.3040604@nycap.rr.com>
Source record: 4901
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap

Searched all over, looking for rss for MTX-800, MTX-810 and MTX-820

167. HF advise wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 17:16:15 UTC
From: RDK <rdk1@atdial.net>
Message-ID: <3C52E487.6D6E@atdial.net>
Source record: 4902

Hi, I passed my general FCC exams and now looking for an all band HF rig. But need advise on the selection of a good new or used HF transmitter/receiver. I also listen to shortwave broadcasts, and would look for a radio that would be broadbanded in the receive capabilities also.

So which is the best radio to look at?

Thanks and 73's
Richard

168. Salvaging Of Power Transformer Copper Wire

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 17:33:02 UTC
From: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net>
Message-ID: <3c52e528_2@corp.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 4903

I have this not so old power transformer with some very good looking #16 or greater copper wire. Looks like it is coated with enamel. This will make great open wire transmission line. The transformer laminations are fused together by shellac or some similar compound used in the impregnating process. I wish to unstack the laminations so that I can unwind the coils. I tried putting a transformer in my wood stove furnace but the wire broke and became very soft. How do I loosen up the laminations?

John
VA3JQ

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http://www.newsfeeds.com - The #1 Newsgroup Service in the World!
-----== Over 80,000 Newsgroups - 16 Different Servers! =-----

169. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 20:29:20 UTC
From: Mitchell Enterprises <sales@kenmitchell.com>
Message-ID: <3C5311A0.149745FE@kenmitchell.com>
Source record: 4904
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I had this very samething happen. They put the wrong label on my package and my label on another package thus, the two packages were sent to the wrong parties. I contacted UPS and they took care of it for me. Not willingly at first because they couldn't believe that could happen. They contacted both parties and explain their mistake, picked up the packages, and made it right.

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Kenneth Allan Mitchell
Mitchell Enterprises
mailto:sales@kenmitchell.com
http://www.kenmitchell.com
(916) 772-1400
(916) 772-1401 (Fax)

170. Re: Salvaging Of Power Transformer Copper Wire

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 21:19:25 UTC
From: NS9G <ns9g@home.com>
Message-ID: <x3F48.3665$gd.677152@news2.nash1.tn.home.com>
Source record: 4905

"Fudge" <fudge@mv.igs.net> wrote in message
news:3c52e528_2@corp.newsgroups.com...
> I have this not so old power transformer with some very good looking
#16
> or greater copper wire. Looks like it is coated with enamel. This will
make
> great open wire transmission line. The transformer laminations are fused
> together by shellac or some similar compound used in the impregnating
> process. I wish to unstack the laminations so that I can unwind the coils.
I
> tried putting a transformer in my wood stove furnace but the wire broke
and
> became very soft. How do I loosen up the laminations?

Take it to an electric motor repair shop and have them run it through their
vapor stripper.
--
73 de Bob NS9G

171. DS-1A converter for Kenwood TS520S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 21:32:31 UTC
From: Brad Sheppard & Jenn Kettle <bradjenn@nf.sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <3c5320c9.0@209.128.1.3>
Source record: 4906
Cross-posted to:
rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.misc

A few years ago someone mailed a solution to the following problem to me,
but I have since lost it.

I have a Kenwood TS-520S, and I am wondering if anyone knows how to make a
homebrew power converter for the radio so I can run it from battery power.

Please respond via e-mail as I don't check the newsgroups often.

Thanks in advance,

Brad Sheppard
VO1XA

172. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 22:07:10 UTC
From: michael jantzen <jantzen_michael@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <iMF48.14490$RD5.35210@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4907
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

This is why I kinda like the usps - they take just about anything - they don't abuse packages like fedex and ups do and they are much cheaper. Plus they offer insurance, delivery confirmation and other online tracking services.

173. Wireless computer mouse & radio interference

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 22:28:30 UTC
From: n9rk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020126172830.21458.00000593@mb-cs.aol.com>
Source record: 4908

I was thinking of getting a wireless mouse for my computer but was wondering if the radios would interfere with them. Does anyone out there have a wireless mouse on their computer? If so, have you noticed if keying your radio (HF, VHF, or UHF) interferes with the mouse in any way?? Any info on this subject would be greatly appreciated!! Please email me direct at: N9RK@aol.com
Thanks!
73,
Renee N9RK

174. Re: FED EX so much BETTER?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 22:37:56 UTC
From: Mike <mdickman@bevcomm.net>
Message-ID: <3C532FED.933B263F@bevcomm.net>
Source record: 4909
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

I refuse to use the usually pathetic system. I would rather look my local Postmaster in the eye!

Murray Neece wrote:

> I have only been using them two months, but so far, even though they lost
> a set of tubes...Im much more impressed....UPS damaged about 1 out of 8
> packages over 35 lbs. that I sent....THEY SUCK and now YOU KNOW....BOYCOTT
> em..use fedex they are pretty good so far..73 Murray

--
Mike
KD4LLA, Amateur Radio Operator
Blue Earth, MN 56013

A new radar study shows that the ice sheet feeding the Ross Ice Streams is growing. That is a dramatic change in an ice sheet covering about a third of West Antarctica and that has retreated nearly 1300 kilometres since the end of the last ice age. The big question is if the change marks the end of the retreat, or just a short-lived reversal. So much for global-warming!

175. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-26 23:34:53 UTC
From: katanaz <katanaz@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <u56f8jjdoaitab@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4910
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

I agree. I've been shipping my Ebay packages exclusively with Fed-Ex Ground and haven't had a single problem. They are faster, cheaper, and friendlier than UPS will ever be. I haven't had them once ask about how an item was packaged or opened a package at the counter to find out. Fed-Ex Ground will usually beat their "estimated delivery date" by a day or two and they've been known to deliver packages on Saturdays and Sundays at no extra charge.

"Murray Neece" <radioranch@cableone.net> wrote in message news:3C50F029.5FBB21D2@cableone.net...
> I have only been using them two months, but so far, even though they lost
> a set of tubes...Im much more impressed....UPS damaged about 1 out of 8
> packages over 35 lbs. that I sent....THEY SUCK and now YOU KNOW....BOYCOTT
> em..use fedex they are pretty good so far..73 Murray

176. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 00:02:15 UTC
From: " .Your Friend Bill" <none@coqui.net>
Message-ID: <3C534387.C27F9E3F@coqui.net>
Source record: 4911
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

katanaz wrote:
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> and haven't had a single problem. They are faster, cheaper, and friendlier
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> packaged or opened a package at the counter to find out. Fed-Ex Ground will
> usually beat their "estimated delivery date" by a day or two and they've
> been known to deliver packages on Saturdays and Sundays at no extra charge.

I'm in Puerto Rico and Fedex treats this part of the US like rural
Zambia or something. By their definition, PR is an "international"
destination. A recent ebay purchaser pointed out to me that he could
ship a 15 pound printer from Indianapolis to Miami, dropoff/Fedex ground
for $7 and change. Same item to me costs $40+. And if I'm the sender I
get stuck with pickup charges (no local dropoff point) and we don't have
Ground Service anyway. (They don't publish the tariffs on the local
website but my last ENVELOPE sent was $27)
As much as I despise that sort of overtly discriminatory business
practice, I'd sure like to have the same service available so that I
could thumb my nose at the ever-increasing USPS Priority rates....even
tho I can't complain about their service.
-Bill

-Bill

177. FT-847 and CAT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 00:25:05 UTC
From: Scott <ve3hsc@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <c6i65u4ua81en94ioefmm586foqoam9sn3@4ax.com>
Source record: 4912

I am looking for a quick basic program that accesses
the CAT port of the FT-847 radio.

178. Manual for Kenwood TK-372g UHF handheld.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 02:00:44 UTC
From: Ed Nunez <enunez@elp.rr.com>
Message-ID: <gbJ48.21707$Ar5.1216824@typhoon.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 4913

My compnay issued us Kenwood 372g radios for work with only our group channel and the main dispatch channel programmed in. Is there any way to program additional channels? I would like to monitor some of the other groups here that were not programmed into my radio. Asking the tech here got me nowhere since he is not very friendly and goes 'strictly by the book'. I currently use a scanner to monitor 4 other groups but I hate to have to carry two radios when one will do.

I understand the why the other channels were not programmed, and this is strictly a personal choice to program my radio - even though it is company property.

Is there a manual for this radio on the web some where?

Thanks in advance,

E. N.

179. Radio and computer eqipment FS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 02:26:11 UTC
From: Carl Walthall <n3qom@home.com>
Message-ID: <7zJ48.7109$gW4.4932341@news1.rdc1.mi.home.com>
Source record: 4914
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Computer
AMD Atlon 1.3 GIG
512 Megs Memory
two 40GIG 7200 rpm Hard drives
10/100 net work card
PC/TV card, for watch TV on your comuter.
Sound Card

Sony cdrom writter
40X cdrom drive
Windows XP Pro.

Software for testing only

$850.00 OBO

Astron RS-35A power supply

$100.00

Radio shack HTX242 2 meter radio 25 watt
$75.00 OBO

Alinco 6 meter mobile DR-M06T
$150.00 OBO

I would also trade for newer HF radio equipment
buyer pays shipping

Carl Walthall
815-884-1349 work
815-484-6106 home Rockford IL

180. 2 Meter Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 02:44:07 UTC
From: Tom Line <tline@shell1.iglou.com>
Message-ID: <3c536977_1@news.iglou.com>
Source record: 4915

What's a good book or information source on 2 meter radio. Lacking a good Elmer, I'm trying to figure out repeater off-sets and stuff like that.

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POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
Tom Line
tline@iglou.com

181. Re: NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 03:24:56 UTC
From: andy <inthelead234@mickle.net>
Message-ID: <BhK48.345$Ub7.13005@eagle.america.net>
Source record: 4916
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

"Security Unlimited Inc." <securit1951@earthlink.net> wrote in message news:Ato48.15843$ag5.1386642@newsread2.prod.itd.earthlink.net...
> LIKE I SAID UPS IS FULL OF SHIT 24/7!
> > Brian

I will never use them and I'll bet most of the people standing up for them either work there or own stock in the company! There is no way they can give proper care to your parcels as they hire college kids and most of the handlers are replaced every semester, I worked there and they had no training, no breaks, and you were told to run to the time clock when they got to the point they could spare you for the night.

I had a person ship an item to me ups and it arrived with a split in it, from a drop of at least 10 feet. They acted decent on the phone, but gave me the royal run around. They give you a step by step process that just goes on and on until most people give up. They wanted to have a driver pick the item up and then give it a ride back to the original shipper and have him deal with the damage----but I had already paid the individual for it, and he had little motivation to collect for me! I was told by ups that I had no rights to make a claim, as if I had no idea what the item was worth, although I had just paid for it!

At first they said that if the claim amount was less than $100, they could just pay me and let me keep the item. When I took the package up to the ups customer service office here, the girl started telling me she could not do what she had said earlier on the phone and again started to try to just send it back to the sender. I asked for her supervisor. Now I got the full UPS BS--it was probably shipped pre-damaged, it was re-used packaging, it was improperly packaged, etc. The fact you have insurance means nothing, they can still use all their delay tactics on you until you give up. They would only send it back to the shipper, and he had to spend a lot of time going around and around with them to get the claim paid a long time later.

The sick thing about this is that people use UPS authorized service centers that are conveniently nearby, and most people think it is the same rate everywhere just like the post office! In reality the Mailbox etc. and all of them charge whatever they want---and most people never question it. For what you are paying you could be paying less for FedEx overnight! The last time I went to Mailbox Etc. they wanted $36, I asked how much of that was their upcharge and they said, we don't know, it is figured in the computer! I drove it over to the real UPS shipping office and it was only $18!

182. Re: FED EX so much BETTER!! NO MORE UPS FOR ME / Rant / Long

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 06:38:25 UTC
From: Rob Taylor <fireboy001@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <SfN48.1548$f11.147438@news.uswest.net>
Source record: 4917
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

You paid in cash and never got a receipt?

"Bill Nelson" <billn@spock.peak.org> wrote in message
news:a2tng8$l4u$3@quark.scn.rain.com...
> In rec.radio.amateur.antenna rickm <rickm_msn@email.msn.com> wrote:
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> > Several years ago, when I owned my own business, I had UPS deliver some
> > C.O.D. packages. I made a mistake and paid for them with cash. A few
weeks
> > later, UPS comes back to me and tells me they lost my check and asks me
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> > rewrite the check. When I explained that I paid in cash, they told me I
was
> > mistaken, and demanded another check. This went on for a couple of
months
> > and then I started getting harrasing phone calls from attorneys
representing
> > UPS. It was a total mess, and ended up costing me several thousand
dollars.
> > I agree, I'll never use UPS again.
>
> Why did it cost you any money? You had to pay the driver to get the
> package. That is sufficient proof that you paid. If UPS lost the payment,
> that is not your fault.
>
> I have been that route. A quick letter from my attorney set them straight.
>
> But I avoid UPS whenever possible. They often leave packages sitting on
> my front doorstep in the rain. The sometimes leave packages that require
> a signature - good thing that I am honest and don't claim that it was
> never delivered.
>
> --
> Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)
>

183. Re: ? On Yaesu FT-817

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 07:23:08 UTC
From: Eddie Haskell <harleybum@easyriders.com>
Message-ID: <wVN48.4468$663.2368891@typhoon.we.rr.com>
Source record: 4918

Typical piece of junk from Yaesu for starters. So-so receiver, poor excuse for a transmitter. Eats batteries like nothing you have seen before. Carries like a purse...on a scale of 1 to 10 on the "Dork-O-Meter its a solid 8. Spend a little more on the Icom IC706MKIIG..you can run it QRP if you want, not much bigger than the FT-817 and makes a decent SWL RCVR. Makes 50 Watts on 144, 20 on 440Mhz and 100 Watts on all other bands. Can be controlled with a PC...Eddie

KlodtLarry <klodtlarry@aol.com> wrote in message news:20020117202406.15460.00000268@mb-fc.aol.com...
> I am looking to get back into ham radio. I have limited space for both a shack
> and antenna. I mainly have talked VHF/UHF and enjoy shortwave listening. I
> think the Yaesu FT-817 looks nifty. Any comments good or bad on this rig?
> Thanks in advance!
>
> LARRY :-) KC0HBB
>

184. Re: Cloning VX5R's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 07:29:15 UTC
From: Eddie Haskell <harleybum@easyriders.com>
Message-ID: <f%N48.4470$663.2373294@typhoon.we.rr.com>
Source record: 4919

Some 3 ring plugs might work some of the time IF your lucky. The VX5-R uses
a 4-RING plug to connect to the radio....Eddie

Hamtrader <k5joe@arrl.net> wrote in message
news:ad0a5204.0112211323.7e5892a3@posting.google.com...
> I am trying to clone a couple of VX5R radios. I have a 1/8 inch 3
> contact plug.
> I have disconected the tip and hooked up the center and the ring. I
> get "Clone Error" messages. Do I need to criss cross the center and
> the ring conections?
> HELP
> :-)
> K5JOE
>

185. Re: IC-706MKIIG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 07:34:36 UTC
From: Eddie Haskell <harleybum@easyriders.com>
Message-ID: <g4O48.4471$663.2376645@typhoon.we.rr.com>
Source record: 4920

Pretty much everywhere it receives......Eddie

Grizzly <diatonic_sequences@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:8W1J7.100137$xe.26493089@typhoon.we.rr.com...
> Looking into performing the wide band TX mod (snip snip d2030) on my
> 706mkiig. What exactly will be the TX/RX coverage after the mod (hard
> numbers please)? Insight? Thank you.
>
> Grizzly
>
>
>

186. Re: 2 Meter Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 13:08:44 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C53FBDA.B88263E2@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4921

hey tom
i dont know what book to tell you but i can tell you that the 2 meter offsets
in the USA are 147.000 and up are a plus 600 and anything below that is a
minus 600 the only odd one is the 147.000 which can be either one
if you go and pick up the ARRL repeater directory it gives a listing of the
repeaters in the country including there offsets and any PL tones if any

Tom Line wrote:

> What's a good book or information source on 2 meter radio. Lacking a good
> Elmer, I'm trying to figure out repeater off-sets and stuff like that.
>
> --
> POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
> Tom Line
> tline@iglou.com

187. Re: 2 Meter Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 14:06:19 UTC
From: "rich a." <rckchp@home.com>
Message-ID: <vPT48.5511$p5.931053@news1.rdc1.nj.home.com>
Source record: 4922

Be careful.....there are some repeaters with 1.0 mhz offset.

"Dennis Kaylor" <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
news:3C53FBDA.B88263E2@tampabay.rr.com...
> hey tom
> i dont know what book to tell you but i can tell you that the 2 meter
offsets
> in the USA are 147.000 and up are a plus 600 and anything below that
is a
> minus 600 the only odd one is the 147.000 which can be either one
> if you go and pick up the ARRL repeater directory it gives a listing
of the
> repeaters in the country including there offsets and any PL tones if
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> > Elmer, I'm trying to figure out repeater off-sets and stuff like
that.
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>

188. Re: Salvaging Of Power Transformer Copper Wire

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 14:08:55 UTC
From: "rich a." <rckchp@home.com>
Message-ID: <XRT48.5512$p5.931637@news1.rdc1.nj.home.com>
Source record: 4923

Or you could soak the entire thing in solvent (laquer thinner)....but
wear gloves....its going to be messy.
"NS9G" <ns9g@home.com> wrote in message
news:x3F48.3665$gd.677152@news2.nash1.tn.home.com...
>
> "Fudge" <fudge@mv.igs.net> wrote in message
> news:3c52e528_2@corp.newsgroups.com...
> > I have this not so old power transformer with some very good
looking
> #16
> > or greater copper wire. Looks like it is coated with enamel. This
will
> make
> > great open wire transmission line. The transformer laminations are
fused
> > together by shellac or some similar compound used in the
impregnating
> > process. I wish to unstack the laminations so that I can unwind the
coils.
> I
> > tried putting a transformer in my wood stove furnace but the wire
broke
> and
> > became very soft. How do I loosen up the laminations?
>
> Take it to an electric motor repair shop and have them run it through
their
> vapor stripper.
> --
> 73 de Bob NS9G
>
>

189. Programing problems MTX-800, MTX-810

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 15:29:31 UTC
From: Jim Reid <jimreid@nycap.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C541E62.4050802@nycap.rr.com>
Source record: 4924
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

Picked up a couple MTX-800 and 810's on Ebay. When I try to read code plug. I get a "Power Fault" , "Check cable/Rib" ect. When I run the software for my HT-600's or MTX-820's on the same setup, all is well. So I think my setup is OK (Right Com Port, RIB power, Interface Cable ect.) The versions of software are: MTX-800 R01.00.01(19-Oct-88) MTX-810 R02.01.00(7-Aug-92)

Are these "Boat Anchors"? Is there a way to reset the code plug? Could it be they were programed wit a newer version of software?

Any ideas???????????

Jim Reid

190. Re: Programing problems MTX-800, MTX-810

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 17:25:07 UTC
From: Dan <n7slc@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <TJW48.1479$y57.1819@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4925
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

"Jim Reid" <jimreid@nycap.rr.com> wrote in message
news:3C541E62.4050802@nycap.rr.com...
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> MTX-810 R02.01.00(7-Aug-92)
>
> Are these "Boat Anchors"? Is there a way to reset the code plug? Could
> it be they were programed wit a newer version of software?
>
>
> Any ideas???????????
>
> Jim Reid

Make sure you're using a really SLOW computer. I have trouble with 810s on
anything faster than a 133mHz Pentium.

Dan
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191. ARES RACES Emergency Services

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 17:45:21 UTC
From: Jerry <jerryaa@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <R0X48.59461$m6.2758785087@newssvr15.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4926

I am looking at retirement in two years. I am wondering what it would take to get involved in Emergency Services? I think pass the tests. What kind of equipment would it take besides battery and antennas? Am looking to get my Extra later this year, but am wondering if there is much call for General Class Licensees in these services?
Being a future pensioner, money will be limited.

Also, I know there is a Salvation Army net out there somewhere and thought their internet url was saturnnet or something like that. Would like to know the frequency and date and time of their net. Also would be interested in Red Cross.

192. Re: 2 Meter Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 18:40:31 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C54499E.D69E2762@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4927

hey rich
i dont think there are on the 2 meter band in the USA
6 meters have some 1 meg offsets as well as 500 but not 2 meters

"rich a." wrote:

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> news:3C53FBDA.B88263E2@tampabay.rr.com...
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> is a
> > minus 600 the only odd one is the 147.000 which can be either one
> > if you go and pick up the ARRL repeater directory it gives a listing
> of the
> > repeaters in the country including there offsets and any PL tones if
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> good
> > > Elmer, I'm trying to figure out repeater off-sets and stuff like
> that.
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> > > POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
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> >

193. Re: ARES RACES Emergency Services

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 23:13:36 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3C5489A0.2CD06678@rac.ca>
Source record: 4928

Hi
Salvation Army Satern Net info is at :
http://satern.org/
73
Peter
VA3PKH

Jerry wrote:

> I am looking at retirement in two years. I am wondering what it would take
> to get involved in Emergency Services? I think pass the tests. What kind
> of equipment would it take besides battery and antennas? Am looking to get
> my Extra later this year, but am wondering if there is much call for General
> Class Licensees in these services?
> Being a future pensioner, money will be limited.
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> Also, I know there is a Salvation Army net out there somewhere and thought
> their internet url was saturnnet or something like that. Would like to know
> the frequency and date and time of their net. Also would be interested in
> Red Cross.

194. Re: 1.2 GHz HTs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 23:37:18 UTC
From: George Andrews <gandrews@ntplx.net>
Message-ID: <D8058.61$mG1.238295@news.ntplx.net>
Source record: 4929
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur

The range of a pair of ICOM T81A's are easily half a mile with stock antenna. The range improves with an aftermarket antenna (Comet SMA703). At 0.6 miles in our test the signal increased about 75%. The output is one watt.If you are not familiar with the T81, it is a quad band HT. Covers 6M, 2M, 70cm and 1.2 GHz. I am also able to use a repeater that is several miles away.
--
George Andrews, RRPT
N1YAE FN31kj

"IwannaradiosoIcantalktohamsabouttheirradios" <whatever@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:17875uojavi54burdcriu07etife4p3410@4ax.com...
> On Thu, 24 Jan 2002 17:25:09 GMT, Angelo Delegeane
> <sierra77@attbi.com> wrote:
>
> >
> >1.2 GHz HTs (both monoband and dual band) used to be easy to find but
> >now there aren't very many around. I may be interested in picking one
> >up but I haven't seen any lately. Can anyone suggest a good source or
> >recommend a good 1.2 GHz HT?
> >
> >Angelo K6ICU
> >
> >
> Whichever you buy,.. buy 2...because you & your friend will be the
> only ones on at 1.2 G (& be within 10 feet of each other, 'cause a
> tree will attenuate the xmissions)

195. WTB ICOM AT150

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-27 23:43:56 UTC
From: Michael <paracop@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <3C5490BC.12A43946@bellsouth.net>
Source record: 4930

wanted to buy, icom at150 in working condition.

196. Re: 1.2 GHz HTs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 01:21:21 UTC
From: ham <ham@no_s.pam>
Message-ID: <3C54A7C4.37B453C8@no_s.pam>
Source record: 4931
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur

Your comment about range may have some truth from HT to HT but in populated areas such as the SF Bay area where the person requesting this is located, there are LOTS of 1.2 GHz repeaters, some inter linked and coverage is very good. I have worked through repeaters dozens of miles away with my 220/1.2GHz HT on 1.2 GHz with full quieting.

You must be in an area with few people and few mountains or tall buildings or towers.

IwannaradiosoIcantalktohamsabouttheirradios wrote:

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> > only ones on at 1.2 G (& be within 10 feet of each other, 'cause a
> > tree will attenuate the xmissions)

197. Re: HF advise wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 04:01:04 UTC
From: KH7WU <kh7wu@hawaii.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3c54ce53@MAIL.mhogaming.com>
Source record: 4932

Richard,
the most bang for the buck is with the Alinco DX-70. You get HF (160-10M) plus 6M on the same radio under $700 at both HRO and AES. HF is great but will get boring unless you set some goals, like obtaining a WAS (Worked All States) award or WAC (Worked All Counties), etc... DX also has it's list of special awards. Good luck and hope to hear you on the Triple HHH Net "The Net operates 364 days/year on a frequency of 7.235 mHz, starting at 0700 Z."

73,
Rob KH7WU

"RDK" <rdk1@atdial.net> wrote in message news:3C52E487.6D6E@atdial.net...
> Hi, I passed my general FCC exams and now looking for an all band HF
> rig. But need advise on the selection of a good new or used HF
> transmitter/receiver. I also listen to shortwave broadcasts, and would
> look for a radio that would be broadbanded in the receive capabilities
> also.
>
> So which is the best radio to look at?
>
> Thanks and 73's
> Richard

198. Re: 2 Meter Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 04:16:01 UTC
From: "rich a." <rckchp@home.com>
Message-ID: <5g458.6649$p5.1204371@news1.rdc1.nj.home.com>
Source record: 4933

Dennis,

Only reason I posted that info is because there is a 2 meter repeater
with 1 mhz offset near me:

Check the ARRL Repeater Directory for Monmouth County, N.J......WA2EDD,
located in Holmdel.....Output-146.475.....Input-147.475

If there is one I'll bet there are more than one....rare maybe but there
are some.

Rich KB2CPE
"Dennis Kaylor" <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
news:3C54499E.D69E2762@tampabay.rr.com...
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> 6 meters have some 1 meg offsets as well as 500 but not 2 meters
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199. Re: Programing problems MTX-800, MTX-810

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 07:07:02 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a32tamamf1@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4934
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

In rec.radio.amateur Dan <n7slc@yahoo.com> wrote:

> Make sure you're using a really SLOW computer. I have trouble with 810s on
> anything faster than a 133mHz Pentium.

Also, it may be that running from a DOS window will not work. Try running
from DOS - before the system boots up Windows.

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

200. IC-T7A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 09:39:13 UTC
From: Sam <sam_vk5ksa@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <3c551dd5@kastagir.senet.com.au>
Source record: 4935

Hi I am looking for the cloning software CS-T7, Can anyone help me?

Sam

201. Re: ARES RACES Emergency Services

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 16:07:13 UTC
From: Carl <n7kuw@dropthisnospam.attbi.com>
Message-ID: <RGe58.323$9U4.205@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 4936

What is available, and what groups are active, varies widely from area to area. You might try listening to various local repeaters to see if there are any nets going on - most such organizations will have some kind of weekly net. You might also contact the local police/sheriff and ask if they work with, or are aware of, any such groups and obtain a referral. Ditto local hospitals.

As for equipment, that depends entirely on what local operations may be going on. It could range from an HT with an extra battery to the skies the limit. Most groups will accept volunteers with whatever they have available.

Carl.

Jerry <jerryaa@prodigy.net> wrote in message
news:R0X48.59461$m6.2758785087@newssvr15.news.prodigy.com...
> I am looking at retirement in two years. I am wondering what it would
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> to get involved in Emergency Services? I think pass the tests. What kind
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> the frequency and date and time of their net. Also would be interested in
> Red Cross.
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>

202. WTB: Operators Manuals, Card Extenders

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 17:15:08 UTC
From: mikea@mikea.ath.cx
Message-ID: <wGf58.15733$ta7.2220245119@newssvr16.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4937

I just got three HF receivers "as-is", with service manuals,
which will make things _MUCH_ easier. They're:
o Debeg E2000,
o ITT-Mackay 3020A, and
o Racal 6217E.

I want to buy operator's manuals for all three, and would like
to buy card extenders for all three, as well. Buying them will
be _much_ nicer than making my own.

I'll be happy to hear from anyone else who has one or more of
these receivers, or experience working on or with them.

--
Mike Andrews
mikea@mikea.ath.cx
Tired old sysadmin since 1964

203. Update--- Computer and Ham forsale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-28 18:17:52 UTC
From: Carl Walthall <n3qom@home.com>
Message-ID: <kBg58.8884$gW4.5921054@news1.rdc1.mi.home.com>
Source record: 4938
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Computer
AMD Atlon 1.3 GIG
512 Megs Memory
two 40GIG 7200 rpm Hard drives
10/100 net work card
PC/TV card, for watch TV on your computer.
Sound Card
Sony cdrom writer
40X cdrom drive
Windows XP Pro.
Software for testing only
$850.00 OBO

Astron RS-35A power supply
$100.00

Radio shack HTX242 2 meter radio 25 watt
$75.00 OBO

Alinco 10 meter FM mobile DR-M03SX
$100.00 OBO

Alinco DJ-F1T 2 meter HT with charger
$75.00 OBO

I would also trade for newer HF radio equipment
buyer pays shipping

Carl Walthall
815-884-1349 work
815-484-6106 home Rockford IL

204. article on irlp repeater linking

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-29 08:26:34 UTC
From: g3zhi@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3c595bec.2913611@news.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4939

http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi/photos/radcom.htm

205. WTB: Card Extenders and Manuals for Commercial HF RXen

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-29 16:57:39 UTC
From: mikea@mikea.ath.cx
Message-ID: <7wA58.16553$cA5.2342339738@newssvr16.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4940
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

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to buy card extenders for all three, as well. Buying them will
be _much_ nicer than making my own.

All are "as-is" and need work, and the only way to do useful
troubleshooting is with card extenders. I _might_ be talked
into swapping the ITT-Mackay and its manuals for operator
manuals and card extenders for the other two, plus a bit. It
depends on what the extra bit is. A "10" 75A4 or 51J3 would
certainly do. ;=)

I'll be happy to hear from anyone else who has one or more of
these receivers, or experience working on or with them.

Yes, boatanchor folks, these don't have glowbottles, but they're
of the same general era, and you folks know me, and I know you
might have some of these things ratholed.

--
Mike Andrews
mikea@mikea.ath.cx
Tired old sysadmin since 1964

206. Re: Programing problems MTX-800, MTX-810

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-29 17:15:36 UTC
From: anytimecom <anytimecom@home.com>
Message-ID: <YMA58.14249$vc.2259720@news1.rdc1.az.home.com>
Source record: 4941
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

Check contacts on the radio, clean off if needed. Also, if I'm correct the MTX800 software and the MTX810 software are not the same. The MTX800 will only do trunked, in comparison to the MTX810 "classic" which will do both conventional and trunked. Good luck, if you have any other questions drop a line.

Jerry
Anytimecom

"Jim Reid" <jimreid@nycap.rr.com> wrote in message
news:3C541E62.4050802@nycap.rr.com...
> Picked up a couple MTX-800 and 810's on Ebay. When I try to read code
> plug. I get a "Power Fault" , "Check cable/Rib" ect. When I run the
> software for my HT-600's or MTX-820's on the same setup, all is well.
> So I think my setup is OK (Right Com Port, RIB power, Interface Cable
> ect.) The versions of software are: MTX-800 R01.00.01(19-Oct-88)
> MTX-810 R02.01.00(7-Aug-92)
>
> Are these "Boat Anchors"? Is there a way to reset the code plug? Could
> it be they were programed wit a newer version of software?
>
>
> Any ideas???????????
>
> Jim Reid
>

207. Re: Ever seen a Nixie Clock ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-29 18:35:01 UTC
From: The Technical Manager <techman@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3C56EB55.EDFB2713@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Source record: 4942

IwannaradiosoIcantalktohamsabouttheirradios wrote:

> On Wed, 23 Jan 2002 12:26:24 +0000, The Technical Manager
> <techman@niobiumfive.co.uk> wrote:
>
> >FixitSan wrote:
> >
> >> A clock using nixie tubes for the display has appeared on Ebay
> >> www.ebay.co.uk
> >> Item number is 1066505450 or just do a search for 'nixie clock'
> >
> >I think they were once trialled in railway stations in Britain.
> I think its called either a museum piece or garbage.

Whats wrong with a nixie tube clock ? I know in todays world they are no match for LED displays but the concept still works.

The ones possibly trialled by British Rail were referred to as Numicator clocks.

208. FA: Hustler 5 btv

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-29 23:37:19 UTC
From: ham-medic <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net>
Message-ID: <PmG58.2955$Tu1.3872@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4943
Cross-posted to:
rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Hustler 5 BTV 80-10 m vert. antenna. 2 weeks old. Selling to buy a beam.
Like new.

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1329151632

209. icom dual bander ic 2710h

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 00:15:28 UTC
From: kimmet@ev1.net
Message-ID: <3c5739ea.882173@news.ev1.net>
Source record: 4945

I have for sale Icom 2710H. The mods are complete for crossband and expanded coverage.This radio has been mobile under seat, and is in good condition.
I have used this radio with excellant reports, and regret to sell, however, house payments force sale

$300 OBO shipped with all accys including the remote kit

please reply to
kevtis@hotmail.com
or call 817 677 3078 between 6-8pm CST or
8177217798 (cell leave message) during the day

I will not be monitoring newsgroups for replies as I dont have regular internet access.

210. Re: Ever seen a Nixie Clock ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 00:17:30 UTC
From: Ham Op <ham_op@subdimension.com>
Message-ID: <uYG58.243364$kf1.70270908@news1.rdc1.ne.home.com>
Source record: 4944

> > >FixitSan wrote:
> > >
> > >> A clock using nixie tubes for the display has appeared on Ebay
> > >> www.ebay.co.uk
> > >> Item number is 1066505450 or just do a search for 'nixie clock'
> > >
> > >I think they were once trialled in railway stations in Britain.
> > I think its called either a museum piece or garbage.

Old technology. Free clock at http://www.qsl.net/w4kgu

You will be part of a very small community of hams... check the counter.

211. Re: Monte Keller

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 01:51:56 UTC
From: n5bdr <n5bdr@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <WII58.183$5y.126795@newsfeed.slurp.net>
Source record: 4946
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Well.. Just before xmas, I sent him a radio after he paid for half of it, and.. guess what?
He's suddenly "disappeared" after saying he mailed two different money-orders to cover the other half of what he owed... I believed him when he said the first must have gotten lost in the mail, but a mnth later, I've still yet to have recieved the 1st or 2nd one he claims to have sent.

PS. What the heck is a stand-up guy, in this context? I assume you're not saying he's a funny.. ;)

"anytimecom" <anytimecom@home.com> wrote in message news:2IA58.14241$vc.2258041@news1.rdc1.az.home.com...
> Hi, Monte is a stand up guy. He is honest and is here to help you out if
> you have questions. He has helped me and others on several occasions, I
> would feel confident in buying or selling to him anytime.

212. Re: Monte Keller

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 02:21:37 UTC
From: Hammer <spam@spam.com>
Message-ID: <RMI58.4174$gx3.186463@news1.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4947
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Look you jerk, I posted what my experiences are ...do not attack me with you foolish bullshit...take it somewhere else.

"n5bdr" <n5bdr@arrl.net> wrote in message news:WlI58.183$5y.126795@newsfeed.slurp.net...
> Well.. Just before xmas, I sent him a radio after he paid for half of it,
> and.. guess what?
> He's suddenly "disappeared" after saying he mailed two different
> money-orders to cover the other half of what he owed... I believed him when
> he said the first must have gotten lost in the mail, but a mnth later, I've
> still yet to have recieved the 1st or 2nd one he claims to have sent.
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> PS. What the heck is a stand-up guy, in this context? I assume you're not
> saying he's a funny.. ;)
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> news:2IA58.14241$vc.2258041@news1.rdc1.az.home.com...
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> > you have questions. He has helped me and others on several occasions, I
> > would feel confident in buying or selling to him anytime.
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213. Re: Monte Keller

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 03:21:26 UTC
From: n5bdr <n5bdr@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <RFJ58.330$5y.160184@newsfeed.slurp.net>
Source record: 4948
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

And how did I attack you? I see nothing at all, which I wrote, that could in ANY way be a reference to you or anything you've done or posted. Or are you maybe saying that I don't also have the right to post my experiences?

"Hammer" <spam@spam.com> wrote in message news:RMI58.4174$gx3.186463@news1.east.cox.net...
> Look you jerk, I posted what my experiences are ...do not attack me with you
> foolish bullshit...take it somewhere else.
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> > Well.. Just before xmas, I sent him a radio after he paid for half of it,
> > and.. guess what?
> > He's suddenly "disappeared" after saying he mailed two different
> > money-orders to cover the other half of what he owed... I believed him
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> > he said the first must have gotten lost in the mail, but a mnth later,
> I've
> > still yet to have recieved the 1st or 2nd one he claims to have sent.

214. Re: Monte Keller

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 05:49:05 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C578951.EFB3CFE3@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4949
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

i agree with you you said nothing to him that could possibly be mistaken as an attack
his reponse is what i would expect from someone who cant even post a real email address
as for a stand up guy isnt that what a wife has for about 30 mins during the wedding cerimony?

n5bdr wrote:

> And how did I attack you? I see nothing at all, which I wrote, that could
> in ANY way be a reference to you or anything you've done or posted.
> Or are you maybe saying that I don't also have the right to post my
> experiences?
>
> "Hammer" <spam@spam.com> wrote in message
> news:RMI58.4174$gx3.186463@news1.east.cox.net...
> > Look you jerk, I posted what my experiences are ...do not attack me with
> you
> > foolish bullshit...take it somewhere else.
> >
> > > Well.. Just before xmas, I sent him a radio after he paid for half of
> it,
> > > and.. guess what?
> > > He's suddenly "disappeared" after saying he mailed two different
> > > money-orders to cover the other half of what he owed... I believed him
> > when
> > > he said the first must have gotten lost in the mail, but a mnth later,
> > I've
> > > still yet to have recieved the 1st or 2nd one he claims to have sent.

215. TRADE: MOTOROLA UHF ASTRO SPECTRA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 05:55:38 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@home.com
Message-ID: <3c578a77.41233979@news.indpdnce1.mo.home.com>
Source record: 4750

TRADE: MOTOROLA UHF ASTRO SPECTRA
Trade complete UHF ASTRO SPECTRA for mint HF receiver 51J4/R388 or
R390A. Your trade item must be fully operational (no "retirement
project") and cosmetically near-perfect. In trade I offer a Motorola
T99DX ASTRO SPECTRA with options:
G241 ANALOG (can be flashed to digital, encryption, etc.)
158W (UHF 450-482 MHZ 110W)
G48 CONVENTIONAL
Unit is complete with drawer unit, tray, power and control cables, W9
control head, speaker, palm microphone.
I pay freight to ship FEDEX/insured to you, you do the same to me.
For more info, pix, etc., please email dt0124@home.com

216. Re: Monte Keller

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 11:40:04 UTC
From: KC8JBO <kc8jbo@alt.net>
Message-ID: <a38urh$19j$7@dosa.alt.net>
Source record: 4751
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

"Hammer" <spam@spam.com> wrote in message
news:RMI58.4174$gx3.186463@news1.east.cox.net...
> Look you jerk, I posted what my experiences are ...do not attack me with
you
> foolish bullshit...take it somewhere else.

Shut the fuck up, Geno.

This guy's real posting addy is pparis7@cox.net

> "n5bdr" <n5bdr@arrl.net> wrote in message
> news:WlI58.183$5y.126795@newsfeed.slurp.net...
> > Well.. Just before xmas, I sent him a radio after he paid for half of
it,
> > and.. guess what?
> > He's suddenly "disappeared" after saying he mailed two different
> > money-orders to cover the other half of what he owed... I believed him
> when
> > he said the first must have gotten lost in the mail, but a mnth later,
> I've
> > still yet to have recieved the 1st or 2nd one he claims to have sent.
> >
> > PS. What the heck is a stand-up guy, in this context? I assume you're
not
> > saying he's a funny.. ;)
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> > "anytimecom" <anytimecom@home.com> wrote in message
> > news:2IA58.14241$vc.2258041@news1.rdc1.az.home.com...
> > > Hi, Monte is a stand up guy. He is honest and is here to help you out
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> > > you have questions. He has helped me and others on several occasions,
I
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217. Need to borrow IC-706 programming / cloning software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 17:29:38 UTC
From: zpxw04@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <c8e673d0.0201300929.10a40b50@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4752
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi, I have the IC-706 Mark II cloning cable, but not the software. Can someone lend or sell me a copy of the software ? Please email me direct, TNX.

73,
Pete KF5ND

218. Re: Programing problems MTX-800, MTX-810

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 19:32:46 UTC
From: James Follett <james@marage.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <Ia4i9IAepEW8EwZi@james-follett.com>
Source record: 4755
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

In article <a32tamamf1@quark.scn.rain.com>, Bill Nelson
<billn@spock.peak.org> writes
>In rec.radio.amateur Dan <n7slc@yahoo.com> wrote:
>
>> Make sure you're using a really SLOW computer. I have trouble with 810s on
>> anything faster than a 133mHz Pentium.
>
>Also, it may be that running from a DOS window will not work. Try running
>from DOS - before the system boots up Windows.

It's useful not to have Win 9* load automatically when the autoexec.bat
and config.sys files have been executed. To do this, merely change one
line and one character in the MSDOS.SYS file (root directory) to read:

BootGUI=0

The last character is a zero.

To load Windows one merely enters WIN<enter> at the DOS prompt. Just
like the old days. Nothing really changes.

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James Follett Novelist (Callsign G1LXP) http://www.davew.demon.co.uk Part 1
audio CD of "Mindwarp" (prelude to Earthsearch) with Colin Baker & Neil Henry
now avail from Big Finish Productions http://www.bigfinish.net/earthsearch

219. Re: Need to borrow IC-706 programming / cloning software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 21:14:19 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C58622A.B52B52C5@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4753
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

i have a 706 mrk ii as well and didnt know there was such a thing as a cloning cable for it
in the list of accessories it lists the civ-17 to control the radio but no cloning cable it would be very nice if there was such a thing would make programming this thing a lot easier

KF5ND wrote:

> Hi, I have the IC-706 Mark II cloning cable, but not the software. Can
> someone lend or sell me a copy of the software ? Please email me
> direct, TNX.
>
> 73,
> Pete KF5ND

220. FA: DAVID CLARK COMMUNICATIONS HEADSETS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-30 21:30:05 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@home.com
Message-ID: <3c586573.15085475@news.indpdnce1.mo.home.com>
Source record: 4754

Three Ebay auctions for David Clark headsets:

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1329255619

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1329309072

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1329317441

221. Drake R8B / Indoor Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-31 02:26:32 UTC
From: rng-1187@webtv.net
Message-ID: <26678-3C58AB58-77@storefull-238.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 4756

Are there any owners of the Drake R8B that are using a high quality indoor antenna and still getting good reception,dx, etc? I am seriously thinking of getting the R8B , but am not allowed to erect any type of outside antenna. i would appreciate any comments in this regard.

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."
___ Mother Teresa

222. Aprspoint plus MapPoint for only $109.95

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-31 03:51:51 UTC
From: Michael <hkc2001@pacbell.net>
Message-ID: <rb368.40647$Dz6.3999381746@newssvr21.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4757

Aprspoint is available as a complete solution now, with MapPoint 2002 included. Aprspoint is an implementation of the latest APRS standards, and MapPoint offers high quality detailed street level coverage for North America and Europe. Now you can get both and do APRS in addition to address searching, route planning in one integrated interface. The package is very affordable, Aprspoint Plus MapPoint 2002 costs $129.90. And first 500 orders get an additional $20 off!. Check out the details at www.aprspoint.com. Thanks.

223. Re: Salvaging Of Power Transformer Copper Wire

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-31 12:53:39 UTC
From: jim.bolinger@lintek.aeroflex.com
Message-ID: <8d5ec8a2.0201310453.133cc6ec@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4758

"Fudge" <fudge@mv.igs.net> wrote in message
news:<3c52e528_2@corp.newsgroups.com>...
> I have this not so old power transformer with some very good looking #16
> or greater copper wire. Looks like it is coated with enamel. This will make
> great open wire transmission line. The transformer laminations are fused
> together by shellac or some similar compound used in the impregnating
> process. I wish to unstack the laminations so that I can unwind the coils. I
> tried putting a transformer in my wood stove furnace but the wire broke and
> became very soft. How do I loosen up the laminations?
>
> John
> VA3JQ
>
>
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>
> -----= Posted via Newsfeeds.Com, Uncensored Usenet News =-----
> http://www.newsfeeds.com - The #1 Newsgroup Service in the World!
> ------== Over 80,000 Newsgroups - 16 Different Servers! =-----

You may find that it does not make such a good transmission line!

The wire used in transformers is soft drawn copper, meant to be wound
in tight turns as in a transformer. What would be used for a
transmission line or antenna is hard drawn copper or copper clad
steel, which is stiffer and not suitable for tight windings.

If you want to save money there are two things you can do. Go to a
local welding shop and ask if they have any copper coated welding wire
that has started to corrode, and ask if they want to get rid of it.

Another cheap wire is electric fence wire. Go to a local farm suppy
store or rural hardware store. There is both steel and aluminum wire
available.

Jim
N8EE

224. Re: 1.2 GHz HTs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-31 18:53:15 UTC
From: puklot <n@agiw.com>
Message-ID: <u5j3scfjcn0a47@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4759
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur

This is not entirely true! We have a 1.2 system in Los Angeles that covers the entire Los Angeles area with only 2 repeaters linked together. We have HT coverage in the entire LA area. Of course some areas are a bit scratchy but mostly very good coverage.

Any HT (Handy Scratchy) will always be limited in range but when designed right, it could go a long way. 1.2ghz is a relatively quiet band.

"IwannaradiosoIcantalktohamsabouttheirradios" <whatever@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:17875uojavi54burdcriu07etife4p3410@4ax.com...
> On Thu, 24 Jan 2002 17:25:09 GMT, Angelo Delegeane
> <sierra77@attbi.com> wrote:
>
> >
> >1.2 GHz HTs (both monoband and dual band) used to be easy to find but
> >now there aren't very many around. I may be interested in picking one
> >up but I haven't seen any lately. Can anyone suggest a good source or
> >recommend a good 1.2 GHz HT?
> >
> >Angelo K6ICU
> >
> >
> Whichever you buy,.. buy 2...because you & your friend will be the
> only ones on at 1.2 G (& be within 10 feet of each other, 'cause a
> tree will attenuate the xmissions)

225. AM dx

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-01-31 22:39:33 UTC
From: ROM58@webtv.net
Message-ID: <4764-3C59C7A5-2@storefull-103.iap.bryant.webtv.net>
Source record: 4760

Lately I've enjoyed AM band dx-ing. Whichh is a better radio for
this....the G.E. "super radio" or the C.C. Crane ?
thanks....KC7QHM

226. Re: HF advise wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-01 06:26:35 UTC
From: kc7maw@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020201012635.23621.00000461@mb-mj.aol.com>
Source record: 4761

I'm not an old fart, Don't hear much complaining at all. Love chasing DX, and highly recommend the ICOM 718. Why buy just a reciever. Additonally, You don't need real Estate to get on the air. I worked Russia, Australia, France, Spain, China, and tons of Japan with a 33 Ft piece of wire going straight up with 100 watts.

73

Mike

227. list of all the irlp nodes connected to repeaters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-01 09:32:41 UTC
From: g3zhi@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3c5d5fd2.5029965@news.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4762

http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi

IRLP Network
Total Nodes Active Idle In Calls Down Offline
330 330 243 31 45 11

IRLP Node codes and locations:
This page will reload automatically in 300 seconds
Sorted by: Number
Node ID Callsign City Prov./St. Local Time Status
100 VE7RHS Vancouver BC 00:46 AM IDLE
101 VE7URG Vancouver BC 00:46 AM DOWN
102 VE7RNA Chemainus BC 00:46 AM VK2RAG
103 VE7VIC Victoria BC 00:46 AM IDLE
104 VE7RMT Victoria BC 00:46 AM IDLE
105 VE7RVN Vernon BC 00:46 AM IDLE
106 VA7OKN Vernon BC 00:46 AM DOWN
107 VE7MFS Coquitlam BC 00:46 AM DOWN
108 VE7TSI Kamloops BC 00:46 AM IDLE
109 VA7MAR Mackenzie BC 00:46 AM IDLE
110 VE7RGF Grand Forks BC 00:46 AM IDLE
111 VE7BHI Port Alberni BC 00:46 AM DOWN
112 VE7KU Port Alberni BC 00:46 AM IDLE
113 VA7LPG Nanoose Bay BC 00:46 AM IDLE
114 VA7HAM Penticton BC 00:46 AM DOWN
115 VE7REE Penticton BC 00:46 AM IDLE
116 VE7RAP Comox BC 00:46 AM IDLE
117 VE7RIA Victoria BC 00:46 AM REF2
118 VE7PQD Parksville BC 00:46 AM IDLE
119 VE7UHF Richmond BC 00:46 AM IDLE
120 VE6RPT Calgary AB 01:46 AM IDLE
121 VE7DQC Prince Rupert BC 00:46 AM IDLE
122 VE6TE Red Deer AB 01:46 AM IDLE
123 VE6ZV Calgary AB 01:46 AM IDLE
124 VE6SBR Edmonton AB 01:46 AM IDLE
125 VE7FFF Prince George BC 00:46 AM IDLE
126 SARA Province Wide AB 00:46 AM IDLE
127 VA6IRL Lethbridge AB 01:46 AM IDLE
128 VE6MPR Banff AB 01:46 AM IDLE
129 VE6WRT Calgary AB 01:46 AM REF931
130 VE6TRC Ft. McMurray AB 01:46 AM DOWN
131 VE6RJZ Canmore AB 01:46 AM IDLE
133 VE5CMR Saskatoon SK 02:46 AM IDLE
134 VE5RAD North Battleford SK 02:46 AM IDLE
135 VE5SKN Saskatoon SK 02:46 AM REF2

136 VE5CC Saskatoon SK 02:46 AM IDLE
137 VE5IOU Prince Albert SK 02:46 AM IDLE
138 VE5MLR Meadow Lake SK 02:46 AM IDLE
139 VE7RJZ Invermere BC 01:46 AM IDLE
140 VA7RDX Vanderhoof BC 00:46 AM IDLE
141 VE7RTS Kamloops BC 00:46 AM IDLE
142 VE7RAM Tappen BC 00:46 AM IDLE
145 VE6PRR Peace River AB 01:46 AM IDLE
146 VE6LGL Grande Prairie AB 01:46 AM REF2
150 VY1RW Whitehorse YT 00:46 AM IDLE
151 VY1RHJ Haines Junction YT 00:46 AM IDLE
155 VE5WM Regina SK 02:46 AM IDLE
157 VE5SCR Swift Current SK 02:46 AM IDLE
160 VE8YK Yellowknife NWT 01:46 AM IDLE
162 VE8NWT Yellowknife NWT 01:46 AM REF4
165 VE4UMR Winnipeg MB 02:46 AM IDLE
166 VE7CAP Cranbrook BC 01:46 AM DOWN
170 VE4SRR Swan River MB 02:46 AM IDLE
175 VE4FFR Flin Flon MB 02:46 AM IDLE
180 VE6MHU Medicine Hat AB 01:46 AM IDLE
185 VE6COM Lethbridge AB 01:46 AM IDLE
186 VE6KJM Airdrie AB 01:46 AM IDLE
190 VE6LT Red Deer AB 01:46 AM IDLE
191 VE7RMR Maple Ridge BC 00:46 AM IDLE
200 VA3LU Thunder Bay ON 03:46 AM IDLE
201 VE9ARZ Fredericton NB 04:46 AM DOWN
202 VE3ULR Toronto ON 03:46 AM IDLE
203 VE1CRA Charlottetown PEI 04:46 AM IDLE
204 VE2CRA Ottawa ON 03:46 AM DOWN
205 VE1NSG Halifax NS 04:46 AM IDLE
206 VE1WRC Amherst NS 04:46 AM IDLE
207 VE1KK New Glasgow NS 04:46 AM IDLE
208 VE1WN Greenwood NS 04:46 AM IDLE
209 VE3BIP Belleville ON 03:46 AM IDLE
210 VE3ADT Toronto (Milton) ON 03:46 AM IDLE
211 VE1WY Lindsay ON 03:46 AM IDLE
213 VE3YYS Ottawa ON 03:46 AM IDLE
214 VE3XTX Owen Sound ON 03:46 AM IDLE
215 VE1BAS Orleans ON 03:46 AM IDLE
216 VE3IRL Toronto ON 03:46 AM IDLE
217 VA3BBB Windsor ON 03:46 AM IDLE
218 VA3EWC Barrie ON 03:46 AM IDLE
219 VE3OAK Oakville ON 03:46 AM IDLE
221 VE3TST Stittsville ON 03:46 AM IDLE
222 VE3KNA Franktown ON 03:46 AM IDLE
223 VA3CTR Markham ON 03:46 AM IDLE
224 VA3BJD Oakville ON 03:46 AM IDLE
225 VE9ACP Fredericton NB 04:46 AM DOWN
226 VE3OVQ Guelph ON 03:46 AM REF2
227 VE3MOT Toronto (downtown) ON 03:46 AM IDLE

228 VE3SEX Almonte ON 03:46 AM IDLE
229 VE3PNO Toronto ON 03:46 AM DOWN
230 VO1KEN St. Johns NF 05:16 AM IDLE
232 VO1BWP Corner Brook NF 05:16 AM IDLE
233 VE3KD Sault Ste. Marie ON 03:46 AM IDLE
235 VO1HHR Grand Falls-Windsor NF 05:16 AM IDLE
236 VO1AAA New Harbour NF 08:46 AM IDLE
240 VE3SUE London ON 03:46 AM IDLE
241 VE3RBM Kitchener ON 03:46 AM IDLE
242 VE3SY Petersburg ON 03:46 AM IDLE
243 VE3WFM Waterloo ON 03:46 AM IDLE
245 VE3RAK Toronto ON 03:46 AM IDLE
246 VE3MUS Huntsville ON 03:46 AM IDLE
247 VE3RPT Toronto ON 03:46 AM IDLE
250 VE3DPL Norwich / Delhi ON 03:46 AM REF2
255 VE2BRR Montreal QC 03:46 AM REF4
256 VE2TPE Baie-Comeau QC 03:46 AM IDLE
257 VE2RJS Montreal QC 03:46 AM DOWN
258 VA2RLP Baie-Comeau QC 04:46 AM IDLE
260 VE3PGC Cornwall ON 03:46 AM REF2
261 VE3EI Cornwall ON 03:46 AM REF1
262 VE3NUU Monkland(Tmp) ON 03:46 AM IDLE
265 VA3MME Omemee ON 03:46 AM IDLE
268 VE3DJD Burlington ON 03:46 AM IDLE
270 VE3ORX Orangeville ON 03:46 AM IDLE
275 VE3KAR Kingston ON 03:46 AM IDLE
277 VE3RWN Bethany ON 03:46 AM IDLE
280 VA3SCR Innisfil ON 03:46 AM IDLE
281 VA3SCR Innisfil ON 03:46 AM DOWN
283 VA3SCR Innisfil ON 03:46 AM DOWN
290 VA3RVU Brampton ON 03:46 AM REF2
300 AH6LE Mt. Angel OR 00:46 AM IDLE
301 WA6SUP Sacramento CA 00:46 AM IDLE
302 WA6LCN Marinwood CA 00:46 AM IDLE
303 KB6THO Pasadena CA 00:46 AM IDLE
304 WA6JFK Los Angeles CA 00:46 AM IDLE
305 KB5DBR Ponca City OK 02:46 AM DOWN
306 AC7DE Helena MT 01:46 AM IDLE
307 WA6TWF Santiago Peak - Orange Cty CA 00:46 AM IDLE
308 WR6AVM Honolulu HI 22:46 PM IDLE
309 KB6JAG Hemet CA 00:46 AM IDLE
310 N6KNW Santa Clarita CA 00:46 AM IDLE
311 K6IOK Auburn CA 00:46 AM IDLE
312 KD6YYJ San Jose CA 00:46 AM IDLE
313 K7OJI Fruitland ID 01:46 AM IDLE
315 WA6RQD Oceanside CA 00:46 AM OFFLINE
316 WA6RQD Oceanside CA 00:46 AM IDLE
317 WD6AWP Huntington Beach CA 00:46 AM OFFLINE
318 W0GFQ Palm Springs CA 00:46 AM IDLE
319 WD8CIK Hollywood CA 00:46 AM IDLE

320 AH6CP Honolulu HI 22:46 PM IDLE
321 W7AOR Las Vegas NV 00:46 AM REF925
322 KH6GMP Kailua Kona HI 22:46 PM IDLE
323 KB7LVC Boise ID 01:46 AM IDLE
324 KB7RSI Las Vegas NV 00:46 AM IDLE
325 N7BFS Spokane WA 00:46 AM IDLE
326 KH7R Henderson NV 00:46 AM IDLE
327 K7SDC Castle Dale UT 01:46 AM IDLE
328 WX7Y Castle Dale UT 01:46 AM REF925
329 W7AOR Las Vegas NV 00:46 AM IDLE
330 N7CK San Manuel AZ 01:46 AM IDLE
331 KA7STK St. George UT 01:46 AM OFFLINE
332 N7GZT Columbia SC 03:46 AM IDLE
333 NV7RM Reno NV 01:46 AM IDLE
334 WR6JPL Pasadena CA 00:46 AM IDLE
335 N0PSR Denver CO 01:46 AM IDLE
337 AB7TJ Minden NV 00:46 AM IDLE
339 WB2BQW New Windsor NY 03:46 AM IDLE
340 KB8JXX Anchorage AK 23:46 PM IDLE
341 KD6GDB Santa Monica CA 00:46 AM IDLE
342 KD6LVP Beaverton OR 00:46 AM IDLE
343 KE6WUK Sunset Ridge / Los Angeles CA 00:46 AM IDLE
344 AH6GR Maui HI 22:46 PM REF4
345 N0SZ Boulder CO 01:46 AM IDLE
346 WA6LA Rancho Palos Verdes CA 00:46 AM DOWN
347 N6ICW Sacramento CA 00:46 AM IDLE
348 WA6LA Rancho Palos Verdes CA 00:46 AM IDLE
349 K6JSI San Diego CA 00:46 AM IDLE
350 K6JSI San Diego CA 00:46 AM DOWN
351 WB6EGR Santa Clarita CA 00:46 AM WB6EGR
352 WB6EGR Burbank CA 00:46 AM WB6EGR
353 K6JXY San Marcos CA 00:46 AM IDLE
354 W6DXX Palm Springs CA 00:46 AM OFFLINE
355 VE6RGP San Diego CA 00:46 AM OFFLINE
356 WB6HII Eureka CA 00:46 AM IDLE
357 N7HQZ Ferndale CA 00:46 AM DOWN
358 WU7Q Sacramento CA 00:46 AM IDLE
361 K6UB Saratoga CA 00:46 AM IDLE
362 KU6V Fremont CA 00:46 AM IDLE
363 KG6EVO Tahoe City CA 00:46 AM IDLE
364 WA6VPL Lompoc CA 00:46 AM IDLE
365 KE6PCV Los Angeles CA 00:46 AM IDLE
366 KD7EFG Murray UT 01:46 AM IDLE
367 N6JVH North Hills CA 00:46 AM DOWN
368 N7LZM Kennewick WA 00:46 AM DOWN
369 N6SEX Sacramento CA 00:46 AM IDLE
371 WA4HND Grand Junction CO 01:46 AM IDLE
372 KH6FV Honolulu HI 22:46 PM DOWN
373 NH6HF Lihue HI 22:46 PM IDLE
374 WB3EHB Camden NJ 03:46 AM IDLE

375 W0KU Golden CO 01:46 AM IDLE
376 N6JVH Los Angeles CA 00:46 AM IDLE
378 WR6HMB Half Moon Bay CA 00:46 AM IDLE
380 AH6JA Hilo HI 22:46 PM IDLE
381 KG6EAO Kapaa HI 22:46 PM DOWN
382 KC7GHT Phoenix AZ 01:46 AM IDLE
383 WB5EKU Los Angeles CA 00:46 AM IDLE
384 K6IXA Atwater CA 00:46 AM IDLE
385 W7FDF Tucson AZ 01:46 AM DOWN
386 WA7SPY Sacramento CA 00:46 AM IDLE
387 K6KCP Sacramento CA 00:46 AM DOWN
389 KG4OKL Huntsville AL 02:46 AM IDLE
394 WA6WDC Sun Valley AZ 01:46 AM DOWN
395 WB6ARE Cedar Park TX 02:46 AM IDLE
396 N6SEX N/A N/A 08:46 AM DOWN
399 WY0X Centennial CO 01:46 AM IDLE
400 WA3KOK Washington DC 03:46 AM IDLE
402 KA2JZO Bordentown NJ 03:46 AM IDLE
403 N2LKV Stony Point NY 03:46 AM IDLE
404 N2CKH Lakewood NJ 03:46 AM REF925
405 N2BJ New Lenox IL 02:46 AM IDLE
406 W1IMD Portland ME 03:46 AM IDLE
408 W2CNY Syracuse NY 03:46 AM IDLE
409 KB2FAF Cortland NY 03:46 AM REF925
410 KF3DY Wellsboro PA 03:46 AM IDLE
411 K0PCG Des Moines IA 02:46 AM IDLE
412 KF6SWL Omaha NE 02:46 AM IDLE
413 WA2ZPX Middletown NY 03:46 AM IDLE
414 WJ2W Terre Haute IN 02:46 AM IDLE
415 N5IUF Dallas/Ft.Worth TX 02:46 AM REF2
416 WB5TUF Houston TX 02:46 AM DOWN
417 WB7RES Caldwell ID 01:46 AM IDLE
418 N4MSE Dallas TX 01:46 AM DOWN
419 N4XQM Atlanta GA 03:46 AM DOWN
420 N4GLB Upstate SC 03:46 AM IDLE
421 W2ISB Liverpool NY 03:46 AM IDLE
423 NJ2FM Hopatcong NJ 03:46 AM IDLE
424 N5CWH Gilbert SC 03:46 AM IDLE
425 WR2ROC Rochester NY 03:46 AM IDLE
426 KD4RAA Raleigh NC 03:46 AM OFFLINE
427 KD4RAA Raleigh NC 03:46 AM IDLE
428 W9ADS Champaign-Urbana IL 02:46 AM IDLE
429 N4HAJ Kinston NC 03:46 AM IDLE
430 N3APP Erie PA 03:46 AM IDLE
431 N3RJC Lansdowne PA 03:46 AM IDLE
432 W1QWT Scituate MA 03:46 AM IDLE
433 K9WZ Plymouth IN 03:46 AM IDLE
435 W9DXN Dixon IL 02:46 AM REF2
436 W1CDO Seattle WA 00:46 AM DOWN
437 W8HDU Lima OH 03:46 AM IDLE

438 W9BCC Wausau WI 02:46 AM REF2
439 KC7ZWG Seattle-Tacoma WA 00:46 AM OFFLINE
440 KC8NCE Grand Haven MI 03:46 AM IDLE
441 N9OIG Union Grove WI 02:46 AM DOWN
442 W9SH Fishers IN 03:46 AM IDLE
444 KB3HF St. Peters MO 02:46 AM IDLE
445 N8DNX Stutsmanville MI 03:46 AM IDLE
446 WB8NXP Southfield MI 03:46 AM IDLE
448 K1IMD Eastern Long Island NY 03:46 AM IDLE
450 N4NEQ Atlanta GA 03:46 AM IDLE
451 KD4Z Orlando FL 03:46 AM REF2
453 K4KSA Tampa Bay FL 03:46 AM IDLE
455 W4DOC Atlanta GA 03:46 AM IDLE
456 NE1H Atlanta GA 03:46 AM OFFLINE
457 WB2WPA Naples FL 03:46 AM IDLE
459 WA1ZVZ Branford CT 03:46 AM IDLE
460 KD4BBM Miami FL 03:46 AM OFFLINE
461 WA1NVC Framingham MA 03:46 AM OFFLINE
463 N9EP Barrington IL 02:46 AM DOWN
464 N5LEZ Electra TX 02:46 AM IDLE
465 KA1UAG West Lebanon NH 03:46 AM IDLE
466 W4RPT Nashville TN 02:46 AM IDLE
467 N9UWE Danville IL 02:46 AM IDLE
468 K1DF Albany NY 03:46 AM IDLE
470 N8OJ Marietta OH 03:46 AM IDLE
471 WB8CXO Akron OH 03:46 AM DOWN
472 W8JL Marietta OH 03:46 AM IDLE
473 K9IP Indianapolis IN 03:46 AM IDLE
474 N2MH West Orange NJ 03:46 AM OFFLINE
475 N8BC Painesville OH 03:46 AM IDLE
476 N3IO Philadelphia PA 03:46 AM IDLE
477 KA3KCJ Downingtown / Mt. Joy PA 03:46 AM IDLE
478 KA3VMA Drexel Hill PA 03:46 AM IDLE
479 K3TAT Media PA 03:46 AM IDLE
482 WA3UMY Lexington Park MD 03:46 AM IDLE
483 N4IRS Stuart FL 03:46 AM REF921
484 N3IO Malvern PA 03:46 AM IDLE
485 W9CEQ Aurora IL 02:46 AM IDLE
486 KE4EUE Chesterfield VA 03:46 AM IDLE
487 K1IMD Riverhead NY 03:46 AM DOWN
488 KG4QAC Tampa FL 03:46 AM IDLE
490 AF4TZ Nashville TN 02:46 AM IDLE
493 W1ET Hanover NH 03:46 AM IDLE
494 N9TSW Des Plaines IL 02:46 AM DOWN
496 N9GPY Culver IN 03:46 AM IDLE
510 G4CUI Sheffield SY 08:46 AM DOWN
512 M1ERS Sheffield SY 08:46 AM IDLE
513 G4BVV Maltby SY 08:46 AM DOWN
514 G0FUO Mexborough SY 08:46 AM DOWN
515 GB3US Sheffield SY 08:46 AM IDLE

520 G4NJI Rotherham SY 08:46 AM IDLE
521 G8UVE Burnley LA 08:46 AM DOWN
522 G4EID Southport MER 08:46 AM IDLE
540 G0XEL Manchester -- 08:46 AM DOWN
600 VK2RBM Sydney NSW 19:46 PM IDLE
601 VK2RMP Wollongong NSW 19:46 PM REF5
603 VK2RMR Mt. Riverview NSW 19:46 PM REF5
604 VK2RTZ Newcastle NSW 19:46 PM IDLE
605 VK2RCZ Sydney NSW 19:46 PM REF5
606 VK2RAG Gosford NSW 19:46 PM VE7RNA
610 VK6RNC Perth W.A. 16:46 PM IDLE
620 VK6RFM Fremantle W.A. 16:46 PM IDLE
621 VK2TTA Wahroonga NSW 19:46 PM IDLE
622 VK2RIC Lismore NSW 19:46 PM IDLE
626 VK2WAG Wagga Wagga NSW 19:46 PM DOWN
630 VK3RGL Melbourne VIC 19:46 PM IDLE
631 VK3HEG Ballarat VIC 19:46 PM IDLE
632 VK3WRM Merbein VIC 19:46 PM IDLE
633 VK3RPU Arthur's Seat VIC 19:46 PM IDLE
635 VK3RMH Melbourne VIC 19:46 PM REF5
639 VK3JED IRLP-Experimental VIC 19:46 PM REF5
640 VK4BAB Ipswich QLD 18:46 PM IDLE
648 VK4RCA Cairns QLD 18:46 PM IDLE
650 VK5UJ Adelaide SA 18:16 PM DOWN
660 VK6AMS Karratha W.A. 16:46 PM IDLE
661 VK6RAL Albany W.A. 16:46 PM REF5
670 VK7AX Ulverstone TAS 19:46 PM IDLE
680 VK8RTE Darwin NT 18:16 PM IDLE
690 ZL3TMB Christchurch NZ 21:46 PM DOWN
691 ZL2LD Masterton NZ 21:46 PM IDLE
700 J73D Roseau Dominica 04:46 AM DOWN
710 J73CS Roseau Dominica 04:46 AM DOWN
712 9Z4CG San Fernando Trinidad 04:46 AM IDLE
750 9Y4AT Valsayn Trinidad 04:46 AM IDLE
760 9Y4SRR San Fernando Trinidad 08:46 AM DOWN
888 KC4USV McMurdo Station -- 21:46 PM IDLE
900 REF900 Vancouver BC 00:46 AM IDLE
910 REF1 Toronto Reflector ON 03:46 AM IDLE
920 REF2 Denver Reflector CO 01:46 AM IDLE
921 REF921 Raleigh NC 03:46 AM IDLE
925 REF925 Las Vegas NV 00:46 AM IDLE
930 REF930 Saskatoon Reflector SK 02:46 AM IDLE
931 REF931 Fredericton NB 04:46 AM IDLE
940 REF4 Yellowknife NWT 01:46 AM IDLE
950 REF5 Sydney NSW 19:46 PM IDLE

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228. I am looking For Schematic or Manual for a - 70 CM PD-ATV-50 PAULDON

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-01 21:45:03 UTC
From: mrthoms7@pacbell.net
Message-ID: <3c5b0c54.2763727@news.sf.sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4763

I am looking For Schematic or Manual for a - 70 CM PD-ATV-50 PAULDON
or, and old broshures.
and any info about the bricks, Amps -M67728 or M67705M
Where can they be purcased how much they cost.. I have digital
pic if you need more info

Thank you

Tom KF6RTY email- mrthoms7@pacbell.net

229. Best 2 Meter House Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-02 01:12:28 UTC
From: Tom Line <tline@shell1.iglou.com>
Message-ID: <3c5b3cfb_2@news.iglou.com>
Source record: 4764

What's the best way to go for a general purpose 2 meter ham radio antenna for my house. I could put on on the outside or chimney or maybe in my attic.

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POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
Tom Line
tline@iglou.com

230. Re: Best 2 Meter House Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-02 13:02:28 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C5BE340.6D167B77@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4765

hey tom
in my opnion the best vertical is the comet GP-9 its a dual band 2/440 and on
2 meters it has a reported gain of 8.5 and on 440 its 11db
that antenna should do you very well at 30 feet or so in the air
good luck

Tom Line wrote:

> What's the best way to go for a general purpose 2 meter ham radio antenna
> for my house. I could put on on the outside or chimney or maybe in my
> attic.
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> --
> POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
> Tom Line
> tline@iglou.com

231. Re: Best 2 Meter House Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-02 15:14:30 UTC
From: AB2HR <ab2hr@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <co0o5ugpjoi2ei9hvuh1gdnis23moj3j57@4ax.com>
Source record: 4766

On 1 Feb 2002 20:12:28 -0500, Tom Line <tline@shell1.iglou.com> wrote:

>What's the best way to go for a general purpose 2 meter ham radio antenna
>for my house. I could put on on the outside or chimney or maybe in my
>attic.

Well, I use a touble trombone (about 12 ft long, I think) up about 40
feet for general purpose use, and an 11-element yagi for those times
when I need a little extra "oomph" on receive and transmit... Oh
yeah, got a 1/4 wave ground plane I use for packet... Of them all,
I'd have to say that the tall vertical is a good, general, all-around
use antenna...

Raymond Sirois AB2HR
SysOp: The Lost Chord BBS
607-733-5745
telnet:\\thelostchord.dns2go.com:6000

232. ARNewsline 1277 - Feb 1 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-02 18:19:35 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020202131935.28179.00001323@mb-ba.aol.com>
Source record: 4767

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1277 – February 1, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1277 with a release date of Friday, February 1st, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

The President of the United States speaks to hams in Florida and is ham radio seeing a second Solar Max? These stoies are first on amateur Radio Newsline report number 1277 coming your way right now.

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BREAKING NEWS: PRESIDENT BUSH COMES TO HAM RADIO

The President of the United States has come to ham radio. Bill Burnett, KT4SB, has the details:

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President George W. Bush has taken to the ham radio airwaves. This, to thank the Florida Amateur Radio community for being ready to serve the public when it is needed.

The President’s comments were made during a stopover the morning of January 31st at the Volusia County Fire Services and Training Center near Daytona. Around 9:15 AM Eastern Time, President Bush checked in to the Northern Florida Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net on 3.950 MHz using a portable station set up John Schmidt, AF4PU. Then the President made these remarks to the 40 or so stations listening to the net:

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President George W. Bush:

"I want to thank all the volunteers who help make sure that Florida is prepared for any kind of emergency. I also want to assure you that your Federal government is doing everything we can to make sure that there is not an emergency--starting with unleashing the mighty U.S. military overseas to bring evil ones to justice. But should there be a need for a response, I want to thank you all for helping our communities be prepared. And finally, I want to tell you--we are lucky to be Americans and may God continue to bless this great land of ours. Thank you very much."

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Needless to say the net members were delighted to have the President of the United States address them. More important, hams nationwide can now be sure that President Bush knows that Amateur Radio operators are ready to serve whenever he, and the nation, needs to call on them for help.

In Miami, I’m Bill Burnett, KT4SB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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The complete story is on the web at
http://firstcoastcommunity.jacksonville.com/northfloridaamateurradiosocietynofars (Tnx NU4F, CQ Magazine)

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HAM RADIO SCIENCE: TWO SOLAR MAXIMUMS THIS SEASON

In case you are wondering why the current solar cycle is still providing such amazing VHF and UHF DX, one researcher may have the answer. He says that the current cycle appears to be having a second peak and that this is really not very unusual. Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, looks at the scientist and his latest data.

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The most recent and ongoing Solar Maximum -- or Solar Max -- theoretically crested in mid-2000. Sunspot counts were higher than they had been in 10 years, and solar activity was intense. One remarkable eruption on July 14, 2000 caused brilliant auroras as far south as Texas. But after that, sunspot counts slowly declined and the Sun was relatively quiet for month-long stretches. Most scientists said that the Solar Max was over. But was it?

Now, as 2002 unfolds, the National Aeronautics and Space Administrations solar foorecasters say that it looks as if the Solar Max is back with us again. The Sun is again peppered with spots, eruptions are frequent and hams notice that the VHF DX keeps rolling in.

Why is this happening? Well David Hathaway, a solar physicist at the NASA Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville Alabama has one theory. Hathaway says that the current solar cycle appears to be double-peaked, and the second peak has arrived.

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Hathaway Audio Here
In-Q: We have seen other cycles...
Out-Q: ...define this maximum
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Scientists track solar cycles by counting sunspots and Hathaway is an expert forecaster of sunspot numbers. He says that sunspot counts peaked in 2000 some months earlier than we expected. He says that the subsequent dip toward solar minimum seemed premature and before long, sunspot counts reversed course and began to climb toward a second maximum that now appears to be only a few percent smaller than the first.

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Hathaway Audio Here
In-Q: Its a bigger than average...
Out-Q: ...smaler than 19, 21 and 22.
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Hathaway notes that there is a widespread misconception that solar activity varies every eleven years like a pure sinusoidal wave. It isn't. He says that solar activity is chaotic and there can be more than one peak in any given period. Translated for ham radio: Enjoy the VHF DX while you can.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.

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Hathaway says that the Solar Max eleven years ago was much the same as this one. The first peak arrived in mid-1989 followed by a smaller maximum in early 1991. And if you are interested in hearing more about this interesting phenomena from David Hathaway its as easy as taking your web browser over to www.rainreport.com. Or you can call on the phone to area code 847-827-7246. (NASA, RAIN)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HF ANTENNA INSTALLED ON ISS

High Frequency ham radio operations from the International Space Station could be on the not to distant horizon. This, after a successful space walk on January 25th to install another antenna on the orbiting outpost. Amateur Radio Newsline's Roy Neal, K-6-D-U-E, has the details.

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The spacewalkers have had another good day in space. On Friday the 25th of January, Cosmonaut Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO and Astronaut Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, successfully mounted a second ham radio antenna near a docking port amidships on the International Space Station. It is made of flexible tape and is similar to but longer than another antenna installed on January 14th. That one tunes both VHF and UHF frequencies. The new antenna will tune HF frequencies.

ARISS Board Chairman Fran Bauer, KA3HDO, says it definitely will work on ten meters and may even be made to work on 15 and 20 meters. BUT right now there is no gear on board to handle those frequencies. Experiments using the lower frequencies are on the list of futures for ARISS but no timetable has been assigned to design and build them.

Owen Garriott, W5LFL, the first man to operate ham equipment in space, once prophesied that a five watt transmitter in orbit might well be heard simultaneously world wide. The great number of hams with good stations on the lower frequencies also makes them enticing to ARISS. It's a safe bet that serious consideration now is being given to expedite such a project. Once a station is sent up, the antenna will be waiting.

The new antenna is the second of four to be installed on board the space station. No timetable has been announced for the final installation. All of

these amateur antennas were built by Italy, tested and qualified in the US, to fit ports built by Russia, as befits the international nature of the ISS.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Roy Neal, K6DUE

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Installation of the 2.5-meter long flexible tape antenna involved not only the mechanical deployment but routing cables and establishing the R-F connection as well. (ARISS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THAT ANNOYING SATELLITE IS OFF 2 METERS

An annoying mystery satellite transmitting AFSK, frequency modulated Morse on 144.100 MHz for several days has been identified. It turned out to be a signal from the MAROC-TUBSAT satellite. This is an Earth-sensing spacecraft owned by a Moroccan government agency called he Royal Center for Remote Sensing. It was placed into a polar orbit by a Russian launcher on December 10, 2001.

As soon as he learned of the interference to amateur operations, Professor Udo Renner of the Center had the 144.100 MHz transmitter turned off. He then notified AMSAT Germany that TUBSAT was no longer on two meters.

But TUBSAT also has a downlink at 436.075 MHz. This system is only busy over North Africa and Europe and only when the control stations in Rabat and Berlin are activated. It has not been heard elsewhere in the world. (AMSAT-NA)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Pentucket Radio Club repeater serving Groveland Massachusetts

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SPECTRUM PRESERVATION: ARRL SAYS IT WILL FIGHT TO KEEP RFID OFF 70 CM

The ARRL says that it will go all the way to protect the 70 centimeter ham band from a threat brought by commercial interests. At issue is a plan from SAVI Technology and already tentatively agreed to by the FCC to deploy unlicensed transient R-F identification tag transmitters operating between 425 and 435 MHz. These tags run at much higher field strengths and duty cycles than Part 15 rules now permit.

According to a League bulletin issued on January 29th, ARRL officials have already met with members of the FCC staff as part of the League's effort to stave off a band threat. The bulletin says that General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD, and ARRL Technical Relations Manager Paul Rinaldo, W4RI, delivered an ex parte presentation to FCC Office of Engineering and Technology staffers January

14th outlining the opposition of the ham radio community. (ARRL)

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FCC: CHAIRMAN POWELL HOME AFTER HOSPITAL TESTS

Federal Communications Commission Chairman Michael Powell was discharged from the hospital on Friday January 25th. This, after a two-night stay in the to undergo tests because of a lingering stomach bug.

Stomach discomfort caused him to cancel appearances at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas on January 8th and again at the annual conference of the National Association of Television Program Executives on Wednesday January 23rd. Doctors advised precautionary tests that required overnight stays at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in suburban Washington. (Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: THAT SONG WAS NOT AS BAD AS WE THOUGHT

The Federal Communications Commission has dropped an indecency fine against a Colorado radio station. KKMG FM of Colorado Springs had been fined seven-thousand dollars for airing the edited version of Eminem's "The Real Slim Shady." This, after a listener wrote the regulatory agency to complain.

At the time the fine was issued federal regulators said the edited version still included some expletives and references to violence and graphic sex. But the FCC now says it has reconsidered. It now says that the lyrics in the edited version didn't violate its rules by being "patently offensive." (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: BRAZIL RADIO OPERATORS HELP IN POWER OUTAGE CRISIS

A major electricity blackout hit at least five Brazilian states on January 21st, and it was hobby radio enthusiasts that let people know about it.

The blackout, which began at 1:30 p.m., hit hardest in the industrial southeast and the major cities of Sao Paulo, Belo Horizonte, Rio De Janeiro, Goiania, Vitoria and the capital, Brasilia.

According to news reports, Brazil’s National Energy Agency blamed the outage on transmission line failures. The same news report credited Brazilian hobby radio operators as informing authorities that subways in Rio De Janero and Sao Paulo were halted and that traffic lights were out snarling commuters in several areas.

The outage was caused by a failure at the Itaipu hydroelectric station in southwestern Brazil. A power-line failure caused thirteen of the dam's eighteen turbines to stop, cutting off nearly 20 percent of the country's energy. Power was restored about three hours later. The news story did not identify the radio operators as being hams. (Various shortwave news reports)

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RESCUE RADIO: NEW INTER-JURISDICTION RADIO SYSTEMS BEING INTRODUCED

Santa Clara County California, police, fire and emergency medical personnel have never been able to communicate with one another at the scene of a major disaster. This is because each agency uses a separate radio system. That is expected to change this year.

Santa Clara County will be leading the nation in using new digital radio technology to solve the inter-agency communications problem. The new system will allow up to eighteen participating jurisdictions in any county to talk to one another instantly.

By way of example, once the system is up and running, officers involved in one of California's famed high-speed car chase will be able to talk directly to police in the neighboring jurisdiction as the suspect approaches that town. They won't have to switch channels or go through dispatch centers. This means less time wasted and the probability that lives will be saved.

While Santa Clara county is at the head of the pack in adopting this new digital communications technology, the same news reports say that and Washington, D-C is not far behind. (Cal-State Info.)

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PUBLIC RELATIONS: A CHEAP SATELLITE

A Cheap Satellite is the name of an Associated Press item that highlighted the work of the faculty and students at the United States Naval Academy in the development and launch of the P C Sat ham radio satellite. The story tells how the twenty-five pound bird was built using off the shelf products including a tape measure for its antenna and rechargeable double A cell batteries for power.

The story was written by Tom Stuckey and moved on the wire on Wednesday January 23rd. It noted that PCSat, was the 44th amateur satellite put in orbit. It is one of more than a dozen built by university students around the world. (VHF Reflector)

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CONVENTIONS & HAMFESTS: ORLANDO HAMCATION WEAK SIGNAL FORUM

The Orlando HamCation will host its first ever Weak Signal VHF and UHF forum. Beginning at 2 p.m. on Saturday Ferbruary 9th, the one hour session will be moderated by N2CEI, of Down East Microwave. Also, Tom Haddon, K5VH, will be on hand to motivate more Florida hams to become active on the Microwave bands.

If you are in the Orlando Florida area on February 8th to the 10th drop in on the Orlando Hamcation. For more details and or advance reservations, go to oarc.org/hamcat.html on the World Wide Web (W2BZY)

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CONVENTIONS & HAMFESTS: DATE CHANGE FOR RADIOFEST 2002

Brian Broggie, W6FVI, asks that we pass along a date change for RadioFest 2002 sponsored by the Naval Post Graduate School Amateur Radio Club in Monterey California. The new date is February 23rd. More information is in cyberspace at k6ly.org/radiofest. (W6FVI)

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(5 sec pause here)

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HAM RADIO SCHOLARSHIPS: THE DARA SCHOLARSHIPS

The Dayton Amateur Radio Association is one of three ham radio organizations seeking nominations for its scholarship program for the 2002-2003 academic year. According to DARA, applicants must be graduating high school seniors in 2002 and hold any class of an FCC issued mateur Radio license. The scholarship awards run up to $2000, as determined by the scholarship committee. Money must be used toward tuition at an institution of higher education.

To obtain an application, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the Dayton Amateur Radio Association Scholarship Program, 9873 Lower Valley Pike, Medway, Ohio 45341. You can also obtain an application by e-mail to n8emo1@msn.com. Completed applications must be postmarked no latter than June 1st to be eligible for this years scholarship program. (DARA)

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HAM RADIO SCHOLARSHIPS: THE FOUNDATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO

Another organization offering scholarships to hams id the Foundation For Amateur Radio. The Washington, D.C. area group will administer sixty-two scholarships for the academic year running from 2002 through 2003. Licensed Radio Amateurs may compete for these awards if they plan to pursue a full-time course of studies beyond high school and are enrolled in or have been accepted for enrollment at an accredited university, college or technical school. The awards range from $500 to $2500 with preference given in some cases to residents of specified geographical areas or the pursuit of certain study programs. Additional information and an application form may be requested by letter or QSL card to the FAR Scholarships, Post Office Box 831, Riverdale, Maryland, 20738. (Foundation For Amateur Radio)

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INTERNATIONAL - SOUTH AFRICA: SA RADIO AMATEURS OF THE YEAR NAMED

Turning to international news, South Africa is honoring two of its own as that nations Radio Amateurs of the Year. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, brings us the details:

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The South African Amateur Radio Development Trust have announced the winners of the 2001 Siemens Radio Amateur of the Year Award. This award is made annually to a Radio Amateur who has made a major contribution to the Amateur Service either on a technical or development basis in ZS land.

The award has been bestowed jointly on Bradley Phillips, ZS5BP, and Garth Wilson, ZR6CY. ZS5BP for his work on the introduction of Iphone and the development of the Internet Radio Linked project. ZR6CY for his continuous efforts to develop communication skills amongst the youth. He has to date presented no less than 80 camps for Voortrekkers to learn the Morse code and basic communication skills.

For Q-News Australia, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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This award is considered as South Africa's equivalent to the Dayton awards presented here in the United States. (SARL News, Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: KENWOOD TROPHY AWARDED TO G3XWH

Meantime, over in the U-K, Richard Horton, G3XWH, who chaired the RSGB's Future Licensing and Examination Forum has been awarded the Kenwood Trophy. This, for his significant contribution to training and development in amateur radio.

Horton recently retired from the Radio Society of Great Britain's Board where he was responsible for amateur radio development. His committee was responsible for much of the work that went into the creation of the new U-K Foundation Class license. (GB2RS)

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DX

In DX, DJ4KW and DK9GG are currently active from Belize as V31YN and V31GW, respectively, through early February. Activity is on CW, RTTY and PSK 31. (RSGB)

And IN3QBR will be active from Vientiane as XW3QBR until the 31st of July. He will be joined, from the 20th of April until the 10th of May by IN3ZNR operating as XW3ZNR. (OPDX)

And R1ANF began operations as CE9 slash R1ANF on the 29th of December from a Chilean base in the South Shetland Islands. He is active on 10 to 28MHz with 100 watts to an R6000 vertical. For all three QSL as directed on the air. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF ED CLEGG W2LOY

And finally this week, if you were on the VHF bands in the 50's, 60's and 70's then the name Clegg Labs touched your ham radio operations. And as we hear in

this report, the family of the man behind the gear is inviting you to help celebrate his life.

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Even if you did not own any Clegg gear, the chances are that you talked to someone on the air who did. Whether it was the top of the line Interceptor receiver and Zeus transmitter or the entry level 99'er transceiver, it was easy to spot a Clegg signal by its almost overpowering modulation that seemed just right for the R-F carrier it was on.

Almost every product that carried the Clegg label was designed by the company's founder Edward T. Clegg, W2LOY. When he moved the company to Pennsylvania in the 1970's, Ed took the call W3LOY. Likewise, after retiring to Ohio he traded the 3 for an 8, but kept the famed L-O-Y suffix.

And regardless of the call area, Ed Clegg was first and foremost a communications designer well ahead of his time. Even more important, he was a positive influence on just about everyone with whom he came in contact.

Ed Clegg left us last September at age 80. Now, his wife Martie will be hosting a gathering in March near the Clegg home in Lancaster Ohio. The purpose is to celebrate the life of Edward T. Clegg. And they are asking you to help.

Martie, her daughter Linda and Linda's husband Rob MacGuffie, K2HZN, are asking anyone who knew Ed to share in the celebration. They know that most of you won't be able to be in Lancaster Ohio on March 30th. But some of you do have memories, stories, photos and other Ed Clegg memorabilia that would help to make this day even more unforgettable.

If you have something to share, please contact Linda and Rob before the end of February. Their address is 70 Province Road, Gilmanton New Hampshire with a zipcode of 03237. Rob's cyperspace address is K2HZN@yahooo.com.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Cathy Anno, KB0FDU.

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By the way, a number of us here at the Amateur Radio Newsline began our ham radio careers using gear designed by Ed Clegg. In fact, our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, got to know Ed while Bill was still a teenager operating A-M on the 6 meter band. (Clegg family)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm _____
saying welcome to the year 2002, 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur
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233. Re: Best 2 Meter House Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-02 23:05:18 UTC
From: Carl <n7kuw@dropthisnospam.attbi.com>
Message-ID: <Og_68.7371$S06.26215@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4768

It depends entirely upon what you mean by "best". Probably the "best" would be a full commercial antenna tuned to the ham bands, such as a super staionmaster. That will cost you in the several hundreds of dollars - close to a thousand. Or perhaps a Decibal products folded dipole array - again well over $500, but can be configured for omni or somewhat directional patterns based on your needs. Both have incredible survivability in severe environments, which may not be a consideration for you. You will find many ham repeaters use these types of antenna's; they have learned from experience it pays in the long run to spend more up front and get something that will last 15 or 30 years.

If you've got the money, go for the best. If you're stuck with a budget like most of us, I've had reasonably good results from Diamond and Comet.

Carl.

Tom Line <tline@shell1.iglou.com> wrote in message
news:3c5b3cfb_2@news.iglou.com...
> What's the best way to go for a general purpose 2 meter ham radio antenna
> for my house. I could put on on the outside or chimney or maybe in my
> attic.
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> POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
> Tom Line
> tline@iglou.com
>

234. Re: Best 2 Meter House Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-03 07:05:37 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <5j578.22$mR.2212@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 4769

"Tom Line" <tline@shell1.iglou.com> wrote in message
news:3c5b3cfb_2@news.iglou.com...
> What's the best way to go for a general purpose 2 meter ham radio antenna
> for my house. I could put on on the outside or chimney or maybe in my
> attic.
>
I use the big diamond, but stay away from chimneys if they are being used.
The gases are corosive and depending on circumstances can still be pretty
hard on connectors 4 or 5 years after the chimney was last used.

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Roger (K8RI EN73)
WWW.RogerHalstead.com
N833R, World's Oldest Debonair? S#CD-2
> --
> POLITICAL CORRECTNESS IS DEAD!!
I sure hope so.

> Tom Line
> tline@iglou.com
>

235. What do I need to get started...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-03 17:42:07 UTC
From: deja@chronofish.com
Message-ID: <9544e856.0202030942.67371db7@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4770

Hello there,

I hope someone can give me a few pointers to get started. Here is what I am looking to do.

I would like to setup a link that can operate at 56kbps minimum (would prefer something like 400kbps) - at a range of 5-10 miles.

The end result is a semi-mobile laptop computer connected to my home/office LAN from distances up to 10 miles.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks!
Christopher

236. WTB: PSA-9

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-03 18:41:08 UTC
From: Ed Strungis <ed.strungis@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <8vf78.12871$pb.11044@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4771

Hello,
Looking for a Heathkit PSA-9 power supply to complete my HW-9 setup.
Thanks,
Ed S

237. Radio Merit Badge requirements changed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-03 20:22:47 UTC
From: w <w@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <r_g78.10977$mR5.575877@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4772

I have updated my Radio Merit Badge webpage for the new requirements. In short, Morse code contacts are no longer required, only 8 schematic symbols are needed, and the requirements have been updated to eliminate references to the Novice license.

Bill Jeffrey AA6J
www.qsl.net/aa6j/radiomb

Feel free to use any of this information in your merit badge classes, but please don't repost to another web site.

238. CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-03 23:07:41 UTC
From: "R.U. Amused?" <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net>
Message-ID: <1pj78.13909$S06.50196@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4773
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Hello All;

I live an a development in California that has CC&R's, restrictive to all types of external antennas, including satellite dishes. I need to erect an antenna to use with my amateur radio, and I was wondering if anyone else went up against CC&R's with an antenna, and what was the ending result. CC&R's are part of every new development out here; you can't buy a new house without them, effectively eliminating amateurs from operating. My CC&R's are not even linked to a homeowners association, so I am wondering how enforceable they are.

Any comments or suggestions are appreciated.

James
n6ttd@arrl.net

239. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-03 23:19:09 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C5DC567.F6980227@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4774
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

hey dont let them BS you there are many ways to play radio with out them even
seeing an antenna check your restrictions and if you can have a flagpole you can
make one out of PVC pipe and hide a multiband HF vertical inside of it
or you can string a wire around the roof line of the house telling the housiung
nazis that it is an antifungal strip what do they know...grin just buy a bunch
of those 1 inch stand offs from radio shack and string the wire thru them and
then run it into the house to a tuner
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the ventenna so you can play it just takes a little effort and thought
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240. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-03 23:51:20 UTC
From: "R.U. Amused?" <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net>
Message-ID: <Y1k78.13814$Ri2.45536@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 4775
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Verticals don't seem to work (crappy soil conditions, and I don't have room for radiators. All houses in the area are two story houses, so I really want to get the antenna above them also. I also have a nice beam that I want to put up. I just want to try to buck the system, and wanted advice on it. If it doesn't work though, I certainly will try the stealth approach.

TNX.

JT
N6TTD@arrl.net

"Dennis Kaylor" <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message news:3C5DC567.F6980227@tampabay.rr.com...
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> > James
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241. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 00:34:12 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <8Gk78.1953$uh3.1274986@paloalto-snr2.gtei.net>
Source record: 4776
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

"R.U. Amused?" <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net> wrote in message
news:1pj78.13909$S06.50196@rwcrnsc53...
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> James
> n6ttd@arrl.net

A CC&R is a legal contract that you signed and agreed to. It is enforceable just like any other contract - especially in the People's Republic of California. But, like any other contract, if you have enough time and money you might be able to obtain some type of compromise or variance.

(Actually, there are a lot of houses in CA without any antenna restrictions - depending on where you want to live. When I bought my last house I saved myself a lot of grief by telling the Realtor that I was only interested in looking at houses that did not have any anti-antenna CC&R's or local ordinances. And before I signed the purchase agreement, I had this fact stipulated in the disclosure documents)

However, if you have an attic that you can string a dipole up in, you can still get on the air. It won't perform like a yagi at 80 feet, but you can still work the world with 100 watts...

Good Luck,

73 de W6DKN

242. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 02:15:37 UTC
From: Bill Turner <w7ti@dslextreme.com>
Message-ID: <eirr5uccr7glb9ivgmce8p45ap9q9c4r2q@4ax.com>
Source record: 4777
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

On Sun, 03 Feb 2002 23:19:09 GMT, Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
wrote:

>telling the housiung
>nazis that it is an antifungal strip what do they know...grin

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They know that if it really is an antenna, you could be in big trouble.

Read the CC&R's very carefully, including the part about you paying
attorney's fees and penalties.

Best to use an indoor antenna. Properly done, they work quite well.

Bill, W7TI

243. V5 programing cable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 02:47:48 UTC
From: kf6vyh@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020203214748.13970.00001237@mb-fz.aol.com>
Source record: 4778

I lost the long cable for programing my VX 5 using my Adams software. Does any one where I can get a diagram to make a new one. 73 John

244. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 03:32:25 UTC
From: Leland Cox <lcox107@home.com>
Message-ID: <3C5E017D.7D1B5D76@home.com>
Source record: 4779
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Check the ARRL site first. They have a lot of current information and
even have a book on the subject. There is also a federal law that says
they have to "make reasonable accommodations" for your antennas. It may
take a court fight to make them comply.

Look around the neighborhood for other antennas. 8 Ft dishes in front
yards or 100 ft CB towers may mean they are not enforcing the CC&Rs.
Read your CC&Rs! This month's QST has an article about a ham that won!

Les, AA4F

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> James
> n6ttd@arrl.net

245. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 03:47:11 UTC
From: Cliff Holloway <cholloway14@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <3vn78.15460$ym3.54043@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4780
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

HI James,
I have had in this situation for about 10 years.. check out my site for
some ideas... http://www.geocities.com/n0hc/
73 & Good Luck
Cliff N0HC
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246. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 05:07:46 UTC
From: "R.U. Amused?" <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net>
Message-ID: <CGo78.19507$PC.113748@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4781
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Thanks guys. It seems to me that the CC&R's have been "abandoned" in my area (at least that is what my argument will be), based on the fact that they are not enforcing the ban on satellite dishes, cars parked in the streets, basketball hoops left in the street, odd window decorations, etc. They can't be selective about only enforcing my violation.

James

"Cliff Holloway" <cholloway14@attbi.com> wrote in message news:3vn78.15460$ym3.54043@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net...
> HI James,
> I have had in this situation for about 10 years.. check out my site for
> some ideas... http://www.geocities.com/n0hc/
> 73 & Good Luck
> Cliff N0HC
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247. Re: STOP...LOOK NO FURTHER...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 07:17:33 UTC
From: michael jantzen <jantzen_michael@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <hAq78.16009$Ri2.55248@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 4782

And I thought morse code was hard to do :(.

n7wsb

"Mode6207764" <mode6207764@cs.com> wrote in message > STEP 2: Now take the
#1 name off the list that you see above, move the other
> names up (6 becomes 5, 5
> becomes 4, etc, and add YOUR Name as number 6 on the list.
> STEP 3: Change anything you need to, but try to keep this article as
> close to original as possible. Now, post your amended article to at least
> 200 newsgroups. (I think there are close to 240,000 groups) All you need
is
> 200, but remember, the more you post, the more money you make!

248. HF Amplifier Sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 08:03:38 UTC
From: Ham Supplies <hamsupplies@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ufr78.24119$663.7547468@typhoon.we.rr.com>
Source record: 4783

Hello, we have the following HF amplfiers available, all require 13.8 volts, DC, need 25 watts in for full output, have three power levels, and a switchable +25db receive pre-amplifier. They are designed after the older Palomar Electronics units when they were in business.
Check out or web page at: http://www.geocities.com/hamsupplies/index.html
Palomar 250: 169.99

Palomar 450: 269.99

Palomar 600: 399.99

All come with a one year warranty, and shipped to your door. We are a PayPal verified user.

249. HF Amplifier Closeout Sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 08:03:38 UTC
From: Ham Supplies <hamsupplies@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ufr78.24118$663.7547535@typhoon.we.rr.com>
Source record: 4784

Hello, we have the following HF amplfiers available, all require 13.8 volts, DC, need 25 watts in for full output, have three power levels, and a switchable +25db receive pre-amplifier. They are designed after the older Palomar Electronics units when they were in business.
Check out or web page at: http://www.geocities.com/hamsupplies/index.html
Palomar 250: 169.99

Palomar 450: 269.99

Palomar 600: 399.99

All come with a one year warranty, and shipped to your door. We are a PayPal verified user.

250. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 10:46:24 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a3loq0ggq11@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4785
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

In rec.radio.amateur.antenna Leland Cox <lcox107@home.com> wrote:
> Check the ARRL site first. They have a lot of current information and
> even have a book on the subject. There is also a federal law that says
> they have to "make reasonable accommodations" for your antennas. It may
> take a court fight to make them comply.

This does not apply to CC&Rs - only to local/state laws and regulations.

> Look around the neighborhood for other antennas. 8 Ft dishes in front
> yards or 100 ft CB towers may mean they are not enforcing the CC&Rs.
> Read your CC&Rs! This month's QST has an article about a ham that won!

It would be nice if the courts were consistant in such rulings. But
this is the first, if it is indeed about beating some CC&R.

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Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

251. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 10:48:00 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a3lot0ggq12@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4786
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

In rec.radio.amateur.antenna R.U. Amused? <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net> wrote:
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> basketball hoops left in the street, odd window decorations, etc. They can't
> be selective about only enforcing my violation.

That is exactly true. Either they all have to be enforced - or none can
be enforced. Of course, you might have to spend a bunch of money in court
to get relief.

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Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

252. Re: V5 programing cable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 12:00:56 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3C5E77F8.8CBDE42A@rac.ca>
Source record: 4787

Try this one.

http://www.icongrp.com/~sllewd/pcware.htm#ezcable

73
Peter
VA3PKH
Kf6vyh wrote:

> I lost the long cable for programing my VX 5 using my Adams software. Does any
> one where I can get a diagram to make a new one. 73 John

253. READ THE WEB-SITE THAT THE KIKES TRY TO CENSOR

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 13:49:09 UTC
From: Genevieve Manheim <Rhzh7bh@YLAHP.EDU.BR>
Message-ID: <3D69044C.63A17E5B@news.wanadoo.fr>
Source record: 4789
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,soc.history.what-if

WWW.GIWERSWORLD.ORG
THE SITE WHERE ALL KIKES ARE LAMPSHADES

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Gawd Russell will sow the pear, and if Sara globally opens it too, the lentil will talk in front of the cold lake. Some powders irritate, burn, and laugh. Others weekly like. She might believe closed jugs near the open dark rain, whilst Maify tamely changes them too. It will cook once, love surprisingly, then kill beside the puddle with the kiosk. Will you expect around the ocean, if Roxanne wistfully tastes the car? We receive the angry onion. Let's cover at the empty springs, but don't dye the active cobblers. Both hating now, Ignatius and Walt arrived the polite moons around noisy wrinkle. You won't seek me jumping alongside your weak plain. If the sad cans can recollect weakly, the strong game may irrigate more navels. Every heavy teacher or square, and she'll virtually smell everybody. Gawd, Paul never shouts until Norris converses the new dose actually. Some pins strongly dine the proud store.

Lots of sour easy frames will nearly comb the tickets. Don't even try to walk the cats slowly, kick them monthly. A lot of ugly cheap ulcers wanly explain as the solid papers waste. Her kettle was dull, pathetic, and helps within the swamp. Tomorrow, it judges a lemon too unique around her kind foothill.

Get your mercilessly moving coffee about my arena.

When will we answer after Anastasia recommends the deep window's farmer? I was behaving trees to sharp Austin, who's dreaming to the cap's cafe. Just teasing through a weaver within the

island is too old for Edwin to creep it. She'd rather call crudely than join with Johann's strange floor.

They are wandering with stupid, around young, within short carrots. It's very raw today, I'll excuse generally or Joie will grasp the plates.

It feared, you looked, yet Betty never seemingly climbed alongside the light. To be abysmal or lazy will scold humble codes to deeply play. All bizarre frogs inside the younger street were attacking outside the dirty castle.

Just now, go attempt a disk! Never mould a coconut! Until Nelly rejects the spoons admiringly, Evan won't lift any healthy structures. Try pulling the stable's sticky ache and Dilbert will fill you! Roxanna learns, then Ron smartly lives a upper shoe among Francis's star. Where does Frank pour so familiarly, whenever Mary measures the outer jacket very stupidly?

254. FT-230R Manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 14:53:14 UTC
From: Mogens <petsen@lazy.dk>
Message-ID: <3c5ea05a$0$89076$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 4788
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

Hi

Just got an Yaesu FT230R. Yes, it's old I know, but it's working.

But I have no manual, schematic or service manual.
I tried to search the www, but very little information is available on this station.

It is possible to get a manual from one selling this information, but last time I tried this kind of service, I've got a very bad copy, and in addition my VISA account was abused. (Only few GBP, but as it was the first and only time this VISA was used, I find it quite interesting)

So, is there somewhere to download this ?
Or find any other information. ?

Best 73 de oz1akn, Mogens

255. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 18:50:41 UTC
From: N4IXT <n4ixt@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <a3mlbg$198aq1$1@ID-105647.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 4790
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

If that's going to be your argument, and not being a lawyer I don't know how legal it'll be, make sure to DOCUMENT all of that BEFORE you take any other action. Take lots and lots of photos, preferably ones with the date showing in the corner if you have one of those type cameras.

Also, you might look into efforts to get PRB-1 rulings enacted as state law in your area. Your ARRL section leaders might have more info on this.

Robert / N4IXT

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256. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 21:29:37 UTC
From: James <kb7tbt@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <53D78.10952$Xk4.694895@news1.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4791
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

TAKE PICTURES OF ALL THE OTHER VIOLATIONS BEFORE YOU PUT ANYTHING UP..

Then that will stand up in court..otherwise it goes back to the old adage:
"If one person jumps off a bridge does that mean you can too?"

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KB7TBT Home Page
http://www.qsl.net/kb7tbt

American Red Cross - Grand Canyon Chapter
http://www.arizonaredcross.org

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http://www.w7atv.com

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257. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-04 21:30:30 UTC
From: James <kb7tbt@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <W3D78.10957$Xk4.695061@news1.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4792
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

hmm, I should have read further. but at least someone agrees with me..:}

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258. Re: 2 Meter Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-05 00:24:39 UTC
From: bjorn890@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020204192439.14871.00000552@mb-ff.aol.com>
Source record: 4793

I can help. I can't tell you a book but i can tell you what you need to know: Reapter offsets are numbers that you program into your radio that tell it how far the input and output of the reapter are. On 2meters this is usally 600kHz. I would try the ARRL handbook though.

259. ICOM IC-2AT AA Battery Packs ?? ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-05 13:08:57 UTC
From: "keebird@hotmail.com" <keebird@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <pemv5u4glhuv6751agnf2rmqbv1k3p4k9d@4ax.com>
Source record: 4794

I am looking for the manufacture(s) of AA battery packs for the ICOM 2AT and 02AT series of radios. I know about the ICOM BP-4 but I have heard of at least one other company that makes a 10 cell version, maybe others ? Anybody have a link or company name ?

Thank You Very Much!

Bradley Althouse NX6O
keebird@hotmail.com

260. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-05 17:56:20 UTC
From: Dick Carroll <dickc58@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <3C616082.2EF41AB7@worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 4795
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Leland Cox wrote:

> Check the ARRL site first. They have a lot of current information and
> even have a book on the subject

Yep, ARRL has a (would you believe) $50 (!) book on CCR's and how to deal with them.

261. Icom AH-2A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-06 02:24:10 UTC
From: Michael <paracop@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <3C6093BB.9E2619A2@bellsouth.net>
Source record: 4796

Looking for an ICom AH-2A controeller for use with an IC-735 and AT-120

262. Re: 2 Meter Guide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-06 12:05:10 UTC
From: KC8PMX <kc8pmx@tm.net>
Message-ID: <WZ888.178$Bg4.277237@monger.newsread.com>
Source record: 4797

The standard offset for 2 meters is in fact 600khz, but there are a few 1 mhz splits, like 146.500 which is used near here in the Mid-Michigan area. Rule of thumb for the 2 meter band, if under 147.000Mhz use a negative offset, if it is 147.000 and above, use a positive offset.

Ryan KC8PMX

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263. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-06 16:04:29 UTC
From: Dwight Weisman <NOdweisman5SPAM@home.dot.com>
Message-ID: <evc88.16802$l5.571642@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4798
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

If you are going to invest money in a tower and an antenna and the spend the time to put it up, talk to a lawyer first. No judge is going to care very much about basketball hoops, satellite dishes, and cars parked on the street, if you have to go into court and say that you knowingly violated your CC&R, just because you saw everybody else was and nobody was doing anything about it. Especially once you are in court because someone complains about you.

Talk to a lawyer, this is not a situation like the misquoted remark about jumping off bridges, the is more like the old oil filter advertisement : you can pay a lawyer a few bucks now, or you can pay your lawyer, their lawyer and the court fees later, plus whatever penalties are applicable after you take down the antenna.

On the home front, after you talk to a lawyer, talk to your neighbours before you do anything. The laws here in Canada are a little different (thank God) but the Radio Amateurs of Canada (RAC) still advises that we follow a set procedure that includes notifying any neighbour who will be "visually impacted" by the "antenna support structure" (read tower). There is no legal requirement that we have to get their approval, we just have to notify them in a timely fashion (i.e. more than an hour before we put up a 300 foot tower with a 10 element 80 meter Yagi).

Talk to the lawyer, it will cost you a few dollars now, but so does auto insurance, it just means you might not have to pay as much later or end up investing in equipment that you can't use. If you want to visit a few web sites and get some info, go for it, print out what you see, with the URL and find out what state it refers to and take it with you to the lawyer, but talking to a lawyer beforehand is always gonna be cheaper than afterwards.

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264. using a USB -to-serial adapter..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-06 20:57:05 UTC
From: anindita@uab.edu
Message-ID: <f7be43a2.0202061257.6b88a7d2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4799

Hi,
I need to use the DLink DSB R100 USB PC radio for a
project.Unfortunately,my PC does not have a USB port.Can I use a USB
to serial adapter to connect this to a serial port?I believe the radio
sues the USB port only to draw power.Would it still work the same
with an adapter?

TIA,

Anindita

265. Re: using a USB -to-serial adapter..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-06 21:06:17 UTC
From: mikea@mikea.ath.cx
Message-ID: <dVg88.30162$bS3.3278884970@newssvr17.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4800

Anindita <anindita@uab.edu> wrote:
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frequency. I never got mine to pick up anything but the most
powerful local FM stations, which aren't the PBS stations I want.
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I don't mind emacs. Emacs is evil, so I can ignore it.
-- david parsons

266. Re: using a USB -to-serial adapter..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 02:26:27 UTC
From: anindita@uab.edu
Message-ID: <f7be43a2.0202061826.3c4db5c@posting.google.com>
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Hmm,thats something to think about.I need to pick up a (fairly)
powerful FM station,though.Also,and conversely,is there a seral-port
radio out there just like the USB one?FM tuner cards dont help because
I want to connect it (primarily) to a laptop.

267. FS: Icom 745 transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 03:32:15 UTC
From: fcathell@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020206223215.14281.00001310@mb-ft.aol.com>
Source record: 4802

IC-745 for sale with mic, manual/schematic, 500 Hz CW filter. Excellent condition with new memory battery. I am the original owner. 12V power supply not included. $385 shipped in US.

Frank
K3YAZ

268. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 04:50:19 UTC
From: AstroMan <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet>
Message-ID: <u641sp90odn6c8@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4803
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Wrong buffalo breath! I'm the 2nd term Pres of an HOA and we do select which rules to enforce and when. It's written into the charter and Design Standards that since every situation is different, lack of enforcement of a rule in one situation doesn't mean we can't enforce it in other situations.

You signed a contract. If you didn't read the CC&Rs before you bought the property, that's your bad. Be a man and live up to the obligations you signed up to. Other people probably moved into the neighborhood specifically because there were CC&Rs - don't violate their rights because you're some sorta "I'm gonna fight it..." macho man.

If you go to court, guess where the HOA's legal costs are paid from? Your dues!!! You lose either way dufus!

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"Bill Nelson" <billn@spock.peak.org> wrote in message
news:a3lot0ggq12@quark.scn.rain.com...
> In rec.radio.amateur.antenna R.U. Amused? <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net> wrote:
> > Thanks guys. It seems to me that the CC&R's have been "abandoned" in my
area
> > (at least that is what my argument will be), based on the fact that they
are
> > not enforcing the ban on satellite dishes, cars parked in the streets,
> > basketball hoops left in the street, odd window decorations, etc. They
can't
> > be selective about only enforcing my violation.
>
> That is exactly true. Either they all have to be enforced - or none can
> be enforced. Of course, you might have to spend a bunch of money in court
> to get relief.
>
> --
> Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)
>

269. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 04:57:41 UTC
From: Bill Turner <w7ti@dslextreme.com>
Message-ID: <s8246u8cmhini65eilpmj8lof988c4ordk@4ax.com>
Source record: 4804
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

On Wed, 6 Feb 2002 23:50:19 -0500, "AstroMan"
<AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote:

>Wrong buffalo breath!
<snip>
>If you go to court, guess where the HOA's legal costs are paid from? Your
>dues!!! You lose either way dufus!

Well, if crudely, said. <g>

73, Bill W7TI

270. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 08:05:09 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a3tcfl$c58$1@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4805
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

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I expect that it depends on the particular HOA agreement, and even the
state in which you live. The few agreements I have read do not have the
wiggle clauses that you mention - although I can see some slimey association
putting them in so that they can do as they wish.

> You signed a contract. If you didn't read the CC&Rs before you bought the
> property, that's your bad. Be a man and live up to the obligations you
> signed up to. Other people probably moved into the neighborhood
> specifically because there were CC&Rs - don't violate their rights because
> you're some sorta "I'm gonna fight it..." macho man.

I wouldn't live in one of your god-forsaken nazi neighborhoods. There are
plenty of places to live where I can do pretty much as I please with my
property, as long as I do not make it unsafe for other people.

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

271. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 08:33:02 UTC
From: AstroMan <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet>
Message-ID: <u64euan6o7ppa4@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4806
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

You're more than welcome to stay in your white trash neighborhood where cars sit up on blocks in the front yard, old furniture sits in the yard, weeds have taken over the entire lawn, gutters falling down, house needs painting, kids need spanking, etc., etc., etc.

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> Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)
>

272. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 13:49:35 UTC
From: Vito <vito@crosslink.net>
Message-ID: <3C6285EF.5E0CE6C7@crosslink.net>
Source record: 4807
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

AstroMan wrote:
>
> Wrong buffalo breath! I'm the 2nd term Pres of an HOA and we do select
> which rules to enforce and when. ...

Well then, buffalo breath's solution is obvious: eliminate HOA prexys
til he gets one who likes antennas.
Cheers
KA3DWW

273. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 13:52:27 UTC
From: azacdoc1 <azacdoc1@home.com>
Message-ID: <vEv88.36735$vc.6012896@news1.rdc1.az.home.com>
Source record: 4808
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Well, its obvious theres a couple of assholes in this group!

"AstroMan" <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote in message
news:u64euan6o7ppa4@corp.supernews.com...
> You're more than welcome to stay in your white trash neighborhood where
cars
> sit up on blocks in the front yard, old furniture sits in the yard, weeds
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painting,
> kids need spanking, etc., etc., etc.
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> <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote:
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> > > specifically because there were CC&Rs - don't violate their rights
> because
> > > you're some sorta "I'm gonna fight it..." macho man.
> >
> > I wouldn't live in one of your god-forsaken nazi neighborhoods. There
are

> > plenty of places to live where I can do pretty much as I please with my
> > property, as long as I do not make it unsafe for other people.
> >
> > --
> > Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)
> >
>
>

274. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 13:59:26 UTC
From: Vito <vito@crosslink.net>
Message-ID: <3C62883D.DAE5DD5C@crosslink.net>
Source record: 4809
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

AstroMan wrote:
>
> If you go to court, guess where the HOA's legal costs are paid from?
> Your dues!!! You lose either way dufus!

BTW, that isn't *necessarily true*. I know of at least one case where the court ruled that other homeowners would have to demo that their property values were hurt before a CC&R could be enforced based on previous decisions on racial CC&Rs. They couldn't so the CBr got to keep his antenna. End of story? Nope! As a HOA member he then sued the HOA prez who'd taken him to court in the first place and that *individual* had to repay the HOAs legal expenses for bringing a frivilous lawsuit. He had to sell his house to do so. Naturally YMMV.
Enjoy
KA3DWW

275. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 15:12:42 UTC
From: AstroMan <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet>
Message-ID: <u656bme98temef@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4810
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Actually, that is a good solution - just wait till a board with more
favorable views takes office. Or...

RUN FOR OFFICE YOURSELF!

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"Vito" <vito@crosslink.net> wrote in message
news:3C6285EF.5E0CE6C7@crosslink.net...
> AstroMan wrote:
> >
> > Wrong buffalo breath! I'm the 2nd term Pres of an HOA and we do select
> > which rules to enforce and when. ...
>
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> til he gets one who likes antennas.
> Cheers
> KA3DWW

276. FA: CLOSES FEB. 8: DAVID CLARK COMMUNICATIONS HEADSETS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 15:16:44 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@home.com
Message-ID: <3c639a2b.90974144@news.indpdnce1.mo.home.com>
Source record: 4811

Three Ebay auctions for David Clark headsets (auction closes Feb 8)

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1329255619

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1329309072

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1329317441

277. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 20:27:58 UTC
From: Sylvan Butler <Znospam+noZs_0202@hpb13799Z.Zboi.hpZ.com.invalid>
Message-ID: <slrna65oqj.8hb.Znospam+noZs_0202@hpb13799Z.Zboi.hpZ.com.invalid>
Source record: 4812
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

On Thu, 7 Feb 2002 03:33:02 -0500, AstroMan <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote:
> "Bill Nelson" <billn@spock.peak.org> wrote in message
> news:a3tcfl$c58$1@quark.scn.rain.com...
>> I wouldn't live in one of your god-forsaken nazi neighborhoods. There are
>> plenty of places to live where I can do pretty much as I please with my
>> property, as long as I do not make it unsafe for other people.

Agreed 100%

> You're more than welcome to stay in your white trash neighborhood where cars

Yeah, that's what it's like, uh huh!

Now, why don't you just close the gates on your
subdivision and stay there.

sdb

--
| Sylvan Butler | Not speaking for Hewlett-Packard | sbutler-boi.hp.com |
| Watch out for my e-mail address. Thank UCE. ##### change ^ to @ ##### |
They that can give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary
safety deserve neither liberty nor safety. --Benjamin Franklin, 1759
Fight terrorism, arm the population!

278. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 22:41:17 UTC
From: "Joe Bramblett, KD5NRH" <kd5nrh-r.r.a.a@kd5nrh.net>
Message-ID: <3E3AB5334EBB50F8.724003D3CFBEF78C.7CB01CA655C6F705@lp.airnews.net>
Source record: 4813
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

On Wed, 6 Feb 2002 23:50:19 -0500, "AstroMan"
<AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote:

>Wrong buffalo breath! I'm the 2nd term Pres of an HOA and we do select
>which rules to enforce and when.

Trailer parks with HOAs? Don't you think that's going a bit too far?

Joe Bramblett, KD5NRH
kd5nrh@kd5nrh.net
http://www.kd5nrh.net

279. Which radio? Yaesu FT-840 or Icom IC-718

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-07 23:59:58 UTC
From: William <none@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <2yE88.30354$X64.10499449@news1.rdc2.pa.home.com>
Source record: 4814
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I looking to get a HF rig to listen to for now, mainly because I will be getting some money back from IRS so I figured I would get one while I have the money. Hope it will also help motivate me into passing the code test faster. They are both in the price range $600 or less and look like good starter radios for new HF users. I would also like to get into digital modes too, I really want to get to SSTV. Some RTTY or PSK.

If anyone uses one of these radios could please give some information on some things you like and dislike about these radios would be very helpful. I have a month or two to wait for my check to come back so I want to do some research on the radios. Ads don't help as much as user input. Or if you have some other radio choices in the price range you use and like let me know.

Please.

William (KC2GSO)

Thank you.

280. Want Software/Interface For Icom

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 00:03:16 UTC
From: ddmga@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <296ea75a.0202071603.6871a0ea@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4815

I'm getting an Icom IC-R7100 scanner/receiver. I need an interface and software. I know it can use the CT-17 cable but I would take another interface, if better or cheaper. What software & interfaces are there? What is the best?

I will buy new or used. If you're selling a copied CD of some software, if it's not legit, I don't want to know (about it).

I would like to pay with Paypal.

Here is some software & hardware (any feedback?):

http://n9zle.tripod.com/

Thanks for any help! -David

281. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 01:12:54 UTC
From: CW <clinton.magers@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <qCF88.9776$bh3.91328@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4816
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

You don't get out much, do you?
"AstroMan" <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote in message
news:u64euan6o7ppa4@corp.supernews.com...
> You're more than welcome to stay in your white trash neighborhood where
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> sit up on blocks in the front yard, old furniture sits in the yard, weeds
> have taken over the entire lawn, gutters falling down, house needs
painting,
> kids need spanking, etc., etc., etc.
>

282. Problem dr112e

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 03:32:44 UTC
From: raju.var@wipro.com
Message-ID: <d66402a1.0202071932.681930ec@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4817

Hi all,

There is small problem with my dr112e alinco VHF base.
I am able to transmit,
but unable to receive any stations.

can anybody please advice on this.

Thanks in advance
73's
Raju
VU3RAR (raju.var@wipro.com)

283. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 11:12:58 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a40brqaro6@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4818
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

In rec.radio.amateur.antenna AstroMan <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote:
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> kids need spanking, etc., etc., etc.

Heh, heh. Boy would you be surprised. The people around here take pride
in their houses and property. They just don't need a group of control freaks
dictating to them how to do so.

The kids may need spanking, but that is pretty much true anywhere in the
US these days. If you punish the kids - you get accused of child abuse.

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Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

284. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 11:31:06 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a40ctqaro8@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4819
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

In rec.radio.amateur.antenna Joe Bramblett, KD5NRH <kd5nrh-r.r.a.a@kd5nrh.net> wrote:
> On Wed, 6 Feb 2002 23:50:19 -0500, "AstroMan"
> <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote:

>>Wrong buffalo breath! I'm the 2nd term Pres of an HOA and we do select
>>which rules to enforce and when.

> Trailer parks with HOAs? Don't you think that's going a bit too far?

Nah. He would want a HOA for a bunch of bums living under a bridge.
Trailer parks would be upscale neighborhoods.

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

285. Require 3CX800A7.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 12:00:45 UTC
From: Mike <Mike@g3uof.screaming.net>
Message-ID: <3c63bdeb_3@mk-nntp-1.news.uk.worldonline.com>
Source record: 4820

Hi!

I am still searching for one or two 3CX800A7 tubes - preferably cheap and surplus to requirements. Must be in good working order please.

Please reply to: g3uof@hotmail.com

Thanks,

Mike
G3UOF

286. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 12:18:30 UTC
From: me@privacy.net
Message-ID: <3C63C216.6E2651E8@privacy.net>
Source record: 4821
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

How about taking this bullshit to another group.

Bill Nelson wrote:
>
> In rec.radio.amateur.antenna AstroMan <AstroMan@dont.bug.me.with.spam.nyet> wrote:
> > You're more than welcome to stay in your white trash neighborhood where cars
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> US these days. If you punish the kids - you get accused of child abuse.
>
> --
> Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

287. Re: Need to borrow IC-706 programming / cloning software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 15:03:32 UTC
From: B Nehl <k0emt@dbbear.com>
Message-ID: <j9q76ukvhind14q4725ehs7t3fq8sr4o76@4ax.com>
Source record: 4822
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On 30 Jan 2002 09:29:38 -0800, zpxw04@hotmail.com (KF5ND) wrote:

>Hi, I have the IC-706 Mark II cloning cable, but not the software...

You can go to the ICOM web site and there is a like there in the
amateur section to where you can get the software.

73,

Bryan
k0emt@dbbear.com
http://www.dbbear.com/k0emt

288. Re: Which radio? Yaesu FT-840 or Icom IC-718

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-08 20:18:31 UTC
From: John <our.email.remove-me.and-me-too@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <JxW88.16594$H37.1962620@news2-win.server.ntlworld.com>
Source record: 4823
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc

My father (G4IRM) has the FT840 and its a pretty neat radio. He gets very
good audio reports, though I have to say that when I use it for CW I find
its not so good as my FT920 for filtering. The one annoying thing (for me)
about the 840 is a clicking noise as the VFO dial is turned - I guess you
get used to it if you use it a lot..

John
G4IRN..

William <none@nowhere.com> wrote in message
news:2yE88.30354$X64.10499449@news1.rdc2.pa.home.com...
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> I looking to get a HF rig to listen to for now, mainly because I will be
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have
> some other radio choices in the price range you use and like let me know.
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> Please.
>
> William (KC2GSO)
>
> Thank you.
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>
>

289. Re: CC&R's and antennas????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-09 04:57:51 UTC
From: "R.U. Amused?" <n6ttd@spamsuxarrl.net>
Message-ID: <j%198.15016$fK1.79941@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 4824
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio

Atually, the area I live in is very nice, but really just a housing tract. There is no home owners association, but there are CC&R's. I guess the only way to enforce them is through individuals taking other individuals to court.

I am still not sure what I am going to do about my antenna situation. I have talked to a few neighbors that don't seem to mind the idea of an antenna, but everything is still up in the air. Meanwhile, my IC746 sits by on my desk waiting for use.

James

290. FA: ~/\/\~ STX821Type I, II, IIi & Conventional Too::

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-09 21:46:52 UTC
From: msisco9939@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020209164652.18967.00000410@mb-mk.aol.com>
Source record: 4825

Hi:

If you are looking for a STX821 in Excellent Condition, and fully operational

Click here:

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1330462908

MS

291. Re: article on irlp repeater linking

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 08:53:06 UTC
From: michael jantzen <jantzen_michael@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Sxq98.26979$bh3.185224@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4826

Does he really maintain everything via telnet and ftp? What a security nightmare :(.

"g3zhi" <g3zhi@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:3c595bec.2913611@news.btinternet.com...
>
> http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi/photos/radcom.htm

292. Motorola HT-90

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 13:15:59 UTC
From: thal70 <dkolseth@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <jou98.79351$jO5.10056249@typhoon.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4827

Was wondering if anyone had a service manual for the 4 watt UHF Motorola HT-90 portable. Specifically, I need the alignment instructions, schematic and circuit-board layout. The model no. is H34HMU3124AN. Thank and would appreciate any replies of a link to a website with this info also.

293. Re: Which radio? Yaesu FT-840 or Icom IC-718

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 15:59:28 UTC
From: kg4pss@arrl.net
Message-ID: <a3866922.0202100759.76d28c61@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4828
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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always)YMMV.

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294. IRC's?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 16:23:14 UTC
From: wa5rrh <wa5rrh@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <ev6d6u4vlnuvso18beu6ei7218qfhj341s@4ax.com>
Source record: 4829

Seems like sometime in the foggy past, one could buy IRC's at a discounted price from "somewhere". Folks who received large numbers of the coupons would trade them for cash instead of postage, through brokers or some other third party. Details, like my memory, are foggy (I already said that, didn't I?) Don't know if this is/was legal, gray market, black market, or what - but I've looked around the web for info and can't find any info indicating that this is still done. Anybody know? Have "green stamps" replaced IRC's in the QSL arena? Somebody bring me up to date. If these second-hand IRC's are still out there, I'd sure rather pay a discounted price than the current $1.75 U.S. price.

295. Re: IRC's?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 17:43:58 UTC
From: me@privacy.net
Message-ID: <3C66B15E.E4F5477B@privacy.net>
Source record: 4830

They used to be sold at the post office (US Postal Service)

wa5rrh wrote:
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> discounted price from "somewhere". Folks who received large numbers
> of the coupons would trade them for cash instead of postage, through

296. Ultimate Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 18:36:21 UTC
From: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net>
Message-ID: <3c66bdc8_4@corp-news.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 4831

I want a printed circuit card that plugs into my P.C. and operates as a complete ham band transciver. There should be just one chip on this pc card. The output can be quite low, say about 1 mw but this must be cw, ssb, sstv, psk, fsk and of course am (Ancient Modulation).
I would wish to have all functions desktop controllable. No more knobs to twiddle. It should of course sell for no more that $59.99 U.S. Where do I order?

John
VA3JQ
(In The Canadian Bush)

297. Digital Codes f/ Standard 5718DA??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 20:46:14 UTC
From: Douglas Kilgore <dougkilgore@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <3C66DBF3.23A22C23@attbi.com>
Source record: 4832
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur

I have a Standard C5718DA Dual Band transciever with CMP843A microphone. The radio was manufactured by Marantz for Standard. The radio is controlled by the microphone which communicates with the main body of the radio with serial digital codes. These codes have not been published in the owner's manual.

I have tried to obtain the codes from Standard service when they were in business with no luck. I have tried the Yaesu - Vertex service after they bought out Standard. The Marantz web page is for audio equipment now.

Can anyone provide me with the codes? Or make suggestions on how to contact the manufacturer in Japan? Or any other source for this info?

Doug Kilgore KD5OUG
KD5OUG@arrl.net

298. FS many electronics tubes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-10 21:11:49 UTC
From: pvrigna <pvrigna@bigfoot.com>
Message-ID: <3C66E20F.205F4B70@bigfoot.com>
Source record: 4833

voici la liste des tubes dont je me sï¿½pare pour cause de rangement.

liste plus prï¿½cise dispo sur demande.

QSJ moins que pas cher de chez pas cher, je me dï¿½barrasse...

le lot complet : 30 Euros, avec dans le lot d'autres rï¿½fï¿½rences et des
tubes effacï¿½s...

PAscal, F1PAF

12AT7/ECC81
12AT7WA
12AU6
12AU7
12AU7A/ECC82
12AU7S
12AX7S
12AX7S
12E1
150AVP
150B2
2K25A
3B24W
3CU3A
3U22C
53AVP
5517C
5654/6AK6W
5654H
5654RT
5664/6AK5W
5725
5726
5727
5727
5727 2D21W
5957
60-04
6005/6AQ5W
6085 PQ
6096
6189
6189/12AU7WA
6505
6AK5

6AK5
6AK5
6AK5H
6AK5W
6AL5
6AL5/EB91
6AL5/EB91
6AL5W/5726
6AN5WA
6AS7
6AU6WA
6BR8A
6DJ8/ECC88
6DR6
6J6
6J6S
6J6W / 6101
6J6WA
6MII
6N45C
6X4
85A2
90-04
9002/62EX2
B54
CF80
DJ10A
E188CC
E92CC
EBF2
EBF89/6DC8
EC86
EC86
ECC189
ECC81
ECC812
ECC82
ECC88
ECF80
ECF802
ECH200
ECL86
EF183
EF184
EF80
EF80/6BX6
EF85
EL181
EL183
EL34

EL519
EL81
EL81F
EL84/6BQ5
EY500A
EY88
EZ3N
EZ80
F9029A
FM 188-5
FW188-5
GAM6S
GS J70O
GY802
GZ34
IN188-5
IT4
JAN-394A
OA2WA
OB2WA
OG3/85A2
P849D
PC900
PCF80
PCL805
PCL86
PL502
PL504
PL504
PL511
QQE03/12
QQE03/20
QQE04/20
TN V75
UY85
VC50
VT154
Y427

299. Batteries for portable use

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 00:48:41 UTC
From: Jerry <jerryaa@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <JxE98.24283$L14.3839959200@newssvr16.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4835

What kind (i.e. brand, type) of 12.8 volt battery would you recommend for portable use (Emergency or field day). I have a car battery that is in pretty good shape, but have heard I would need a deep cycle battery.

Where can I purchase these? Thanks in advance for your help.

300. Re: Which radio? Yaesu FT-840 or Icom IC-718

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 00:50:51 UTC
From: William <none@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <LzE98.36956$X64.13061204@news1.rdc2.pa.home.com>
Source record: 4834
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Thanks for the info. Seems like a good deal. Where did you get yours from?
It is sometimes hard to decide since it is the one you will be with, so make
it a good one, right. But the big problem for me now is another radio is on
the list, maybe the Alinco DX-70TD for moble use as well. 100 watt HF+6m
moble/base radio $600. That one sounds nice since I can use the 6 meters
until I get the code passed and upgrade. FM/SSB/CW unit.

what to get...what to get.... hmmmm :)

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> 73

301. Re: Batteries for portable use

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 01:58:26 UTC
From: gdsnkl@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <3c672350.42122567@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4836

On Mon, 11 Feb 2002 00:48:41 GMT, "Jerry" <jerryaa@prodigy.net> wrote:

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>portable use (Emergency or field day). I have a car battery that is in
>pretty good shape, but have heard I would need a deep cycle battery.
>
>Where can I purchase these? Thanks in advance for your help.
>
There are several battery packs out there with a ~17Ah gel cell
inside, which have jump start cables attached. These are great for
jump starting cars (AAA and garages use them in road service
vehicles). They also have a lighter plug, and sometimes other things
(light, tire inflator, inverter).

While the lighter plug may not allow more than 10A loads, if your
mobile takes more than that you can do some direct wiring to the
battery as you would do with a car.

My mobile takes 13A full load transmit, and less than 0.5A when
listening. Unless you are talking most of the time at max power, that
gives you a long useful time between chargings.

You can also rig something with a bare gel cell battery and your own
charger. Gel cells are a bit safer to haul around than liquid acid
ones.
Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

302. FS: Heil GoldLine mic package!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 02:05:32 UTC
From: blainefox53511@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020210210532.23978.00000574@mb-cl.aol.com>
Source record: 4837

Greetings...

I have for sale a Heil Gold-Line microphone package in like new condition.
Package includes custom swing-arm boom and the Kenwood Heil HM-10 mic cord.
Best reasonable offer gets it. Pic available upon request!

73~~~

R. Blaine Fox (N9LXX)
Beloit, WI

303. FS: Alinco DR-119T 2 meter mobile package

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 02:09:28 UTC
From: blainefox53511@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020210210928.23978.00000580@mb-cl.aol.com>
Source record: 4838

Greetings...

Alinco DR-119T 2 meter mobile rig in great condition. Includes DTMF microphone. Will throw in a 20a switching power supply for a grand total of $150, shipping included. E-mail if interested...

Tnx, es 73 de N9LXX~~~

R. Blaine Fox
Beloit, WI

304. FS: Yaesu FT-2600 60w 2 meter mobile rig

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 02:16:49 UTC
From: blainefox53511@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020210211649.24006.00000709@mb-cl.aol.com>
Source record: 4839

Greetings...

Up for sale is a Yaesu FT-2600 60 watt 2 meter mobile rig. Radio has seen VERY little use, and box and manual are included, as well as microphone. Save some money and get yours for $130.00 shipped! Please e-mail if interested!

73~~~

R. Blaine Fox (N9LXX)
Beloit, WI

305. Re: what is hamradio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 02:28:30 UTC
From: jo <captjoejoe@uswest.net>
Message-ID: <i%F98.70107$Zc.19931367@news2.rdc1.mi.home.com>
Source record: 4840

When the choice is between No Ham activity due to Ant,RFI restrictions or something like I Link
then it's a no brainer.Sure it's like extending your Mic / control cable thousands of miles to a
distant repeater but it does allow hams to communicate,rag chew etc with their counterparts across
the nation and world with 2m FM quality to boot !

The problem of hams moving into houses / apts with restrictions is an exponentially escalating urban problem in many countries.There are countless idle 2m / 70 cm / 10m / 6 m repeaters all over the world that make them a natural for I Link.Those repeaters (being located in less restrictive areas) do not pose the same problem for communities as the urban ham station.
One could have a PC in every room in every house but that is practically impossible with an HF rig and antenna.

Rather than lose these hams I Link provides a means to retain their interest.Yes it does away
with all the multitude of problems and expense of equipment and antenna's and NO it's
not pure radio.It's just another mode / system for communication.

If Ham Radio is the top priority in your life and you have acres of land and the resources for top
of the line equipment and monster antenna's then go for it.If not I Link provides an alternative
for those not so lucky or inclined to set up such stations.

In addition I Link does not have the restrictive "closed shop " aura of many of the IRLP nodes.

Whether it flourishes or not depends like most things in our Democratic society.The users
vote of choice will determine it's future.

(IMG:http://www.angelfire.com/tv2/alink/images/award1.gif)

306. Re: TS-850s and KAM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 02:36:19 UTC
From: golfradio@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <21b5602c.0202101836.d9db8b2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4841
Cross-posted to: es.rec.radio.amateur,in.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.packet,rec.radio.amateur

Keith,

I believe the answer can be found in the Hints and Kinks section of
the November 1993 QST magazine. There is a writeup entitled "Curing
multimode communications processor distortion with the Kenwood
TS-850S".

73', Mark NB1U

"Keith Barnes" <ke5ga@bellsouth.net> wrote in message
news:<k3008.4552$V55.637689@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>...
> Hi gang,
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> I have had problems with rf getting into the mic section of the 850 when a
> KAM/KAM Plus is connected using the 13 pin plug. Kantronics had a fix by
> installing either a capacitor 1pf or so in the plug. Kenwood also had a fix
> but it required rig surgery. Anyone know the Kantronics recommended fix. I
> have been searching all over for it and have not had any luck and I can't
> seem to find my hand written documentation.
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> Thanks
> Keith
> W5KB

307. ARNewsline 1278 - Fed 8 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 04:44:15 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020210234415.02012.00001022@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 4842

Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1278 – February 8, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1278 with a release date of Friday, February 8th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Another Anthrax scare halts mail to the FCC in D.C. and ham radio growth may not be as good as it seemed. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1278 coming your way right now.

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AMERICA AT WAR: FCC STOPS D.C.MAIL DELIVERY DUE TO NEW ANTHRAX SCARE

The Federal Communications Commission says that it will not accept paper mail in the Washington D.C. area until further notice. This, after a trace amount of the Anthrax virus was found during a routine test. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Paul Courson, WA3VJB, is in the nations capitol with the details
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The scant amount of anthrax contamination found at a Federal Communications Commission mail facility in Maryland last week was consistent with cross-contamination of mail. At least that’s what the result of tests conducted by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention showed.

The FCC's mail processing facility in Capitol Heights Maryland, outside Washington, was tested about a week and a half ago as a routine precaution. One sample taken tested positive for Anthrax. The C-D-C blames the problem on cross contamination of mail. This means one or more pieces of mail from another facility may have inadvertently brought the contaminant to the Maryland site.

The agency is arranging for the facility to be decontaminated and re-tested. Mail deliveries, which have been halted, will not resume until the area is found to be anthrax-free. For ham radio, this only affects such things as requesting or commenting on rules change requests.

The FCC said it would also test the mail room at its Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, facility to make sure that it is Anthrax free. Gettysburg is where most Amateur Radio related mail including license applications and renewals are sent and is not affected by this latest paper mail suspension order. At least not so far.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Paul Courson WA3VJB in Washington.

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Late last year five people, including two postal workers, died of the inhalation form of anthrax and more than a dozen were infected in a series of attacks that followed the terrorist raids on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. So far no arrests have been made in that case. (Published news reports)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: ON-ORBIT COMPUTER FAILURE CAUSES ISS OUTAGE

Ham radio was there but it was not needed. That’s the basic wrap up after a computer failure aboard the International Space Station sent the 17-story complex into a slow drift for a few hours on Monday February 4th.

The temporary outage also disrupted voice communications with the ground using normal channels. It also brought science research to a halt. But NASA officials said that neither the station nor its crew ever were in any danger.

The station drift was halted about 17:00 GMT. That enabled the crew to begin the job of re-orienting the stations solar panel arrays. Once normal power levels were restored, systems and experiments that had been shut down were brought back on line.

The computer shutdown was eventually traced to a defective hard drive. James Hartsfield, a spokesman for NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston said that the three ham crew was never in any danger as a result of the failure. He termed it nothing more than an interruption to their normal work day.

Launched last December 5th on board the shuttle Endevour, Russian cosmonaut Yuri Onufrienko RK3DUO and U.S. astronauts Daniel Bursch KD5PNU and Carl Walz KC5TIE are the forth crew to inhabit the I-S-S. In addition to all of the high tech communications gear the crew also has ARISS - the ham radio station on board the International Space Station as backup voice and data communications. It was available, albeit not needed this time around. (ARNewsline(tm) from NASA Release)

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HAM RADIO GROWTH: CENSUS REDUX

Some dark news following the good news on ham radio growth patterns. The numbers may not be as good as we reported two weeks ago. So says Fred Maia, W5YI, who follows growth trends in ham radio. And Fred says that the numbers we presented are overly optimistic:

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Fred Maia:

“The FCC database is a database of all amateurs who have been licensed for twelve years. Thats ten years for the license term and an additional two. The reason it stays in the database for the additional two is so that it can be renewed diring the grace period. Thefefore, the licenses in the database are two years more thanthe ten year term or twenty percent inflated.”

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In our story we used statistics from several sources including QRZ, W5YI and others. But Fred says that there are more recent numbers that show things may not be as good as they may seem on the surface.

According to Fred, as of January 15th 2002 there are actually only 98,030 holders of the Extra class license, 86,425 legacy Advanced, 138,546 Generals, 318,603 Technicians and legacy Tech plus and only 39,972 Novice class. The total is 681,576. That is considerably lower than the 720,194 in the latest QRZ census and 10,424 lower than the adjusted 692,000 we believed to be accurate.

The bottom line. Once you take away the expired licenses that are in their grace renewal period, the club and military recreation stations and the like the numbers tell a different story. One thats not nearly as rosy as we and others thought only two weeks ago. (ARNewsline(tm))

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WINTER OLYMPICS 2002: COMMEMORATIVE STATION ON THE AIR

The Winter Olympics are in Salt Lake City Utah and ham radio is helping to celebrate the games with a special events station. Linda Reader, N7HVF, has more:

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“Its going to start on Thursday at 5 PM Mountain Standard Time and it will go until the 25th of February. It will be available on all bands, so people will only need to listen around. The station call will be W7U and the trustee is W7EO.”
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Again, listen for W7U celebrating the 2002 Winter Olympics through February, 25th. (N7HVF)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WB2FKZ repeater serving West Babylon New York.

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SPECTRUM: WHITE HOUSE PROPOSES PAYOUT TO CHANGE FREQUENCIES

The Bush administration says that it will propose setting up a $715 million fund to reimburse federal agencies that relocate their RF operations. This, for moving away from spectrum that has already been auctioned to commercial service providers.

In the past, federal agencies have had to negotiate with the winning bidders to cover relocation costs. In fact, following the September 11th terror attacks the Pentagon said it would not move off bands that it uses for military training and other purposes without sufficient funds to pay for relocating.

This created a stalemate over making available airwaves hotly desired by mobile telephone companies like Verizon Wireless. Now, in his budget just sent to congress, President Bush proposes setting up a fund to streamline the reimbursement process. Auction receipts to cover agency's relocation costs would be paid into the fund and federal agencies would be reimbursed for their relocation costs out of the proceeds.

What does this mean for Amateur Radio you ask? Simply that more spectrum that hams share with the government and military could be up for grabs sooner than most thought it might happen. But even with the subsidy some analysts of military communications say that it still could take several years before you see any spectrum moves take place. (Published reports)

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FCC: OLYMPICS CAN USE 2300 MHZ HAM BAND FOR OLYMPICS

Broadcasters at the 2002 Winter Olympics have been granted a Special Temporary Authority from the FCC to use a ham band for their coverage of the Salt Lake City games. The S-T-A was made available at the request of the Salt Lake Organizing Committee R-F coordination group to use 2300 to 2305 and 2390 through 2450 MHz for remote pick-ups at various Olympic venues.

Unlike Australia two years ago, this FCC action does not take hams off the air nor does it forbid amateur use of the band during the period of the S-T-A. Instead it took action reminiscent of one that helped to establish ham radio's "National Frequency Coordination Council." The agency told all spectrum users that it had designated the Salt Lake Organizing Committee is the single point of contact or "SPOC" in regard to all Olympics radio frequency requirements. This delegated authority continues with the committee through March 31st. (FCC, Broadcasting & Cable, ARNewsline(tm))

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAM RADIO AT THE SUPERBOWL

Last week's Super Bowl played in New Orleans between the St. Louis Rams and the New England Patriots was a squeaker to the very last play. With the game tied at 17 to 17, in the 4th quarter, New England opted for a Field Goal that brought them victory in the very last seconds of normal play. It was a game seen by millions, but what t-v viewers did not see was the work of a group of New Orleans area hams who were a part of the behind the scenes communications effort for the game. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, lives in the Big Easy and has this look at the role that ham radio played:

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While thousands cheered on the Rams and Patriots inside the Superdome and millions watched on television around the world, a handful of New Orleans hams were busy outside in the streets of the Crescent City.

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“K5OEP go ahead.” “Checking in, nothing to report. Everything’s normal. WA5RT 2104 aaah, Poydras and South Claiborne.” “K5OEP roger, 2218. Other station?”
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K5OEP is the call sign of Southeast Louisiana ARES. New Orleans area hams assisted the American Red Cross as they provided tracking for those sent to area shelters or hospitals should the unthinkable occur. Several Emergency Response Vehicles were in use feeding the workers and standing by in reserve should they be needed in an emergency. The ERV’s had a staff of 2 plus a ham with voice capability and APRS tracking. There were “Action Teams” standing by with a ham and a dual band HT. Hams also manned a command post trailer at City Hall as well as the Red Cross operations center on Canal Street and another Red Cross office in suburban Metairie. The communications operations began on Friday, February 1st and continued Saturday as well as Super Bowl Sunday. Tom Miller, AC5TM, ARRL Louisiana Section Emergency Coordinator and Keith Barnes, W5KB of the Red Cross were instrumental in putting the effort together. The local CBS affiliate, WWL-TV channel 4 did a lengthy report on the Red Cross, of which about a minute was focused on the hams. Several hams were featured on camera in the piece. Thankfully, this is representative of most of the radio traffic.
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“K5OEP this is W5GAD.” “W5GAD, K5OEP go ahead.” “Just checking in Josh and, um, if it’s possible could we get a cup of coffee next time the truck comes down this direction?” “This is KC5BCR, we’re gonna take care of that coffee request.”
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Only three things occurred that could be considered out of the ordinary... a semi-nude escapee jumped off a bridge to evade capture, a Rolodex in the Superdome caught fire from being too close to a light and the New England Patriots finally won the big game. And isn't it fitting that an underdog team called the Patriots would be victorious on this first Superbowl since September 11th. Next on the agenda for the city... Mardi Gras on Tuesday, February 12th. From Party Central in New Orleans, Louisiana, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA.

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Before we leave this one we have some interesting statistics. According to the Broadcasting and Cable newsletter, Super Bowl 36 delivered the Fox Television Network a 42.5 rating and 61 share in what are called the metered Nielson overnight market ratings. This means that about 67 percent of United States households with television sets had them tuned to the game at some point during the telecast. (ARNewsline(tm) - Produced by KC5MFA with sound provided by KD5BLV)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS ASSIST FOLLOWING QUAKE IN TURKEY

Amateur Radio operators in Turkey were among the first to respond in the wake of a earthquake that rocked the province of Afyon on Sunday February 3rd. More than forty were killed and at least 170 were injured injuries were reported in

the aftermath of the 6 point zero tembler. Structures were destroyed and lines of communications were cut. Enter Amateur Radio.

According to an ARRL bulletin members of Turkey’s Civil Defense Search and Rescue Team responded following the quake. The bulletin quotes Aziz Sasa, TA1E, the president of the Turkish national Amateur Radio society as saying that S-A-R communicated with it’s headquarters in Ankara and within the affected area. This was because ham radio was the only long and medium-range communication resource available until normal lines of communications were restored. Most ham radio communications was on VHF using a system of linked repeaters. (ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS HELP SAILBOAT IN DISTRESS

The ARRL Letter says that Amateur Radio played a role in the rescue of two people aboard the sailing vessel Antigone. This, after it ran aground off Honduras on Thursday, January 24th.

Ed Petzolt, K1LNC, of Hobe Sound, Florida, told the Letter that, despite some apparently deliberate interference, members of the Intercontinental Net on 14.300 MHz helped relay communications from the vessel, which was equipped with an High Frequency marine radio.

David Walz, AG4LI/HR6, in Honduras was in contact with the boat and passed traffic from the stranded mariners to the Net. Petzolt said he was able to patch the US Coast Guard in Miami through to Walz, so the Coast Guard could obtain additional information and coordinate with Honduran authorities.

Petzolt said the two passengers aboard the 40-foot vessel were safe, and the boat was on the beach. The FCC is reportedly investigating the interference issue. (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO SCHOLARSHIPS: QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION

The Quarter Century Wireless Association has announced its funding several scholarship for 2002. There are eleven QCWA scholarships valued at $1000 each and five valued at $1500 each to be awarded later this year. Hams interested in applying for the QCWA Scholarships should contact the Foundation for Amateur Radio. The Foundation administers the scholarships sponsored by the QCWA. Additional information and an application form may be requested by letter or QSL card to the FAR Scholarships, Post Office Box 831, Riverdale, Maryland, 20738. (QCWA)

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HAMFESTS: LIMARC N.Y. FEBRUARY 24TH

LIMARC -- New York’s Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual indoor Ham Radio flea-market On Sunday, February 24th. Location is the Levittown Hall beginning at 9 a-m. More information is on the web

www.limarc.org. (N2DO)

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THE HANDI-HAMS: 2002 CALIFORNIA CAMP FULL

The Minnesota based Handi Hams say that their California Radio camp is now full. This year, campers will be treated to presentations by Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR, for Alinco, and everybodys favorite ham radio instructor Gordon West, WB6NOA. The dates for the 2002 Handi Ham California Camp are March 3rd to the 10th at Camp Joan Mier in Malibu. More is in cyberspace at www.mtn.org/handiham/workshop.html. (HandiHams)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: SUPER NET HAS ARRIVED

Australia’s new super-net has had its first successful demonstration, proving it can carry an enormous amount of data between two locations. In fact, its not just fast. It is virtual reality come to life. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has a look at what super net can do:

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In its 'maiden voyage,' the new high speed networking technology --10 Gigabit per second Ethernet -- ran a revolutionary combination of technology that allowed two people, in different locations, to work together on a virtual 3D object, each being able to feel the object and see what the other person was doing to it. At the same time they could use a studio quality video link to communicate.

These two functions were tested in a situation where they had to compete against a volume of network traffic equivalent to Sydney's telephone system at peak levels.

The demonstration involved networking a virtual environment from two separate sites, CSIRO's Virtual Environments laboratory at the Australian National University and CSIRO's corporate headquarters several kilometres away.

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According to Graham, networks such as this will allow users in several locations to feel computer generated objects such as body organs. Among other things, this tactile ability means a surgeon could train many students in different cities at the same time. (Q-News)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: CENTRAL STATES VHF SOCIETY CALL FOR PAPERS

The Central States VHF Society will be holding it's 36th Annual Conference later this year. The dates are July 26th to the 28th at the Sheraton Four Points Hotel in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

And now comes an invitation to those interested in making presentations at this event. You are invited to submit an outline to Marc Holdwick, N8KWX, who is this years Technical Program Cairman.

Holdwick says that any topic related to weak-signal VHF operation is welcome and can be submitted in either paper or electronic format. But says N8KWX, those submitting will be required to have the finished work in his hands by May 5th to be included in the printed Proceedings.

If you are interested in taking part, you can contact Mark Holdwick by e-mail n8kwx@csvhfs.org. His snail-mail address is PO Box 6051, Buffalo Grove, Illinois, 60089. More information is on the web at www.csvhfs.org/CSVHF02.HTML (CSVHFS)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: RF CONTROL OF BIOMOLICULES

Scientists from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Media Lab report that they can now control biomolecules with radio frequency energy. Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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Biomolecules such as proteins and nucleic acids are basic building blocks in nature. They carry out a wide variety of nano-scale functions, many of which have proven useful in drug discovery, drug delivery, biocatalysis, and bio-materials. But to optimally exploit these capabilities, researchers must be able to rapidly control their activity.

Now in the paper, titled "Remote Electronic Control of D-N-A Hybridization Through Inductive Coupling to an Attached Metal Nanocrystal Antenna, researchers describe a unique method to do this. One that employs the phenomenon of inductive coupling to metallic nanoparticles by radio frequency energy to specifically and remotely control DNA molecules. And they say, it works.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW.

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Their paper was published in the January 10th issue of the journal Nature. More information is available at www.engeneos.com. (Technology Today)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: NEW RSGB PRESIDENT

The Radio Society of Great Britain has a new President. As of January 1st, Bob Whelan, G3PJT, has taken up the leadership position at the United Kingdom’s national ham radio society.

Whelan says that he is looking forward to the challenges ahead in raising the awareness of the value of Amateur Radio as a way of interesting the next generation of radio engineers and scientists. He will serve a two year term leading the RSGB. (GB2RS)

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INTERNATIONAL – SOUTH AFRICA: NEW SHORTWAVE GUIDE

Media Network reports that a new comprehensive country-by-country guide to domestic and external shortwave broadcasts from sub-Saharan Africa, including opposition broadcasts to the African continent, has been added to the British DX Club web site. The guide, compiled by BDXC editor Tony Rogers and fully updated for the winter schedule period, is available in by-country and by-frequency versions. It can be found on the Articles index page of the web site at www.bdxc.org.uk. (Media Network)

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CONTESTS: GREAT LAKES QSO PARTY

The Great Lakes QSO Party will begin on Saturday, March 9th at 17:00 UTC and run through Sunday March 10th at 04:00 UTC. The object of this contest is to work as many Great Lakes States as well as VE3 and VE4 Canadian provinces as possible during the allotted time. C-W and SSB are the only modes permitted and operation is on all bands except for WARC. Logs must be submitted by mail before April 25th to the address listed at the contest website. Look for more information at www.geocities.com/mdxa1/qsoparty.html. (E-mail)

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DX

In DX, the Trindade 2002 PWØT team reports that several major sponsors have come forward providing vital support for the upcoming DXpedition. ICOM America will be providing a number of ICOM IC-756 PRO II transceivers. ICOM will also be sending along an IC-910H for satellite operation. Possibly the first-ever satellite activity from Trindade.

But that’s not all. Electril, a Brazilian manufacturer, has begun shipping antennas to the team staging area and Bob Heil, K9EID, of Heil Sound has personally made arrangements to insure that the DX’ers will have new reliable headsets. Meantime, JA1FGI and JA1WSK have covered the cost of purchasing and shipping a complete RTTY, PSK-31 and SSTV equipment package. Lastly, its reported that the Six Meter Amateur Radio Klub and the Chiltern DX Club are the first organizations to provide the D-Xpedition with financial support.

The operators will leave Rio de Janero on February 15th for Trindade. More information is at the DXpedition website located in cyberspace at www.trindade2002.com (PW0T release)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE SWOOPER

And finally this week, a loud buzzing noise being heard in the international shortwave band is apparently a new RADAR system used to measure wave height. According to Mark Fine, the system is located at Barnegat Bay New Jersey and transmits a one megahertz wide signal in varying five megahertz wide segments. Take a listen:

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swooper audio here
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Fine tells Amateur Radio Newsline that he made that recording on 4.795 MHz at 1850 UTC on February 5th. He was listening on a Drake R 8 A receiver set to upper sideband and a 2.3 kHz bandwidth. He says that during the evenings this beast takes over a whole band and is heard as far away as Europe and South America.

Already, some SWL’s have nick-named the noise a "swooper" because it sweeps quite fast making a "swoop" noise as it goes by in SSB. Others have called it the Windshield Wiper Network, which they say is very apropos. (DXLD, CGC Communicator with “Swooper” audio provided by Mark Fine).

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline@arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Roy Neal, K6DUE, 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

308. Re: Batteries for portable use

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 05:09:41 UTC
From: richard dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns91B1EB5B81AE5jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.193.32>
Source record: 4843

"Jerry" <jerryaa@prodigy.net> wrote in
news:JxE98.24283$L14.3839959200@newssvr16.news.prodigy.com:

> What kind (i.e. brand, type) of 12.8 volt battery would you recommend for
> portable use (Emergency or field day). I have a car battery that is in
> pretty good shape, but have heard I would need a deep cycle battery.
>
> Where can I purchase these? Thanks in advance for your help.

Have you used this battery before, and did you have problems with its
capacity?

Just curious...

309. Re: Batteries for portable use

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 11:53:41 UTC
From: Jerry <jerryaa@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <9hO98.24451$eS.3891163273@newssvr16.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4844

Haven't used it before. Frankly, it's heavy and toting it around always invites leakage. I ve heard stories about regular car batteries affecting digital readout. I am going to be getting involved in ARES and Satern emergency services. I would imagine I need something to run 12 hours or so at a time and always a possibility a generator would not be available.
"richard dreyfuss" <jquimby@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:Xns91B1EB5B81AE5jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.193.32...
> "Jerry" <jerryaa@prodigy.net> wrote in
> news:JxE98.24283$L14.3839959200@newssvr16.news.prodigy.com:
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> > portable use (Emergency or field day). I have a car battery that is in
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> > Where can I purchase these? Thanks in advance for your help.
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> Have you used this battery before, and did you have problems with its
> capacity?
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> Just curious...

310. Ten Tec Omni 6 Plus mint ++++

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 16:46:10 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020211114610.07222.00000471@mb-de.aol.com>
Source record: 4845

Selling my Ten Tec Omni 6 PLUS loaded with all filters ie 2/500hz,2/250hz,1.8 sb narrow, and stock 2.4kc, 705 desk mic, 962 power supply, original manuals, original cartons and packing. The condition is as near new 9.9. This was a factory built 6 Plus and is about 2 years old. It is the best Ive ever owned and used but a family project has arisen and I decided to let it go. I'll throw in the scarce remote tuning dial with it. Price is $2300.00 shipped and insured. I will not sell items separate-thank you. 73s Lew KlNDV

311. Opinions wanted: 2m radio for packet?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-11 17:55:05 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020211125505.08083.00000898@mb-cj.aol.com>
Source record: 4846

I am going to be getting into Packet soon and I want to get a decent 2m mobile radio to use one both voice and packet in the shack. From what I understand, if a radio has a dataport on it, I don't need a special cord going to the microphone plug. If this is true, this is the type of radio I want. Can anyone recommend a radio for me?

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

312. Re: Which radio? Yaesu FT-840 or Icom IC-718

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-12 06:18:41 UTC
From: kg4pss@arrl.net
Message-ID: <a3866922.0202112218.65664017@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4847
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I got it from George at GigaParts (www.gigaparts.com). Icom's $50
coupon expires 02/14, and the free DSP ends 03/31.

The Alinco has quite a following, as well. If you haven't already,
check the reviews on all three at eham.net. While you are there, there
are some good comparisons of the IC-718 and FT-840 in a thread on the
company reviews forum.

It is a tough decision. If I'd had the money, I might have gone with
the 706MKIIG or FT-100D and had it all in one package. If I could not
have gone ahead with the purchase while the incentives were running on
the 718, I might have looked closer at the Alinco, myself.

For me it came down to my primary interest (SSB and CW 75/40/20m), the
718 was the most bang for the least buck. So far, it looks like I made
the right decision for me.

Good luck which ever way you go.

"William" <none@nowhere.com> wrote in message
news:<LzE98.36956$X64.13061204@news1.rdc2.pa.home.com>...
> Thanks for the info. Seems like a good deal. Where did you get yours from?
> It is sometimes hard to decide since it is the one you will be with, so make
> it a good one, right. But the big problem for me now is another radio is on
> the list, maybe the Alinco DX-70TD for moble use as well. 100 watt HF+6m
> moble/base radio $600. That one sounds nice since I can use the 6 meters
> until I get the code passed and upgrade. FM/SSB/CW unit.
>
> what to get...what to get.... hmmmm :)
>

313. Re: What do I need to get started...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-12 13:20:52 UTC
From: jr127@USA.net
Message-ID: <3C6916B4.2A6F31A8@USA.net>
Source record: 4848

First off Chris, you can't operate your business on any amateur radio frequency.

If you just want to be a ham you need to take the test. Contact you local amateur radio club, they can help you.

ChronoFish wrote:

> Hello there,
>
> I hope someone can give me a few pointers to get started. Here is
> what I am looking to do.
>
> I would like to setup a link that can operate at 56kbps minimum (would
> prefer something like 400kbps) - at a range of 5-10 miles.
>
> The end result is a semi-mobile laptop computer connected to my
> home/office LAN from distances up to 10 miles.
>
> Any help would be greatly appreciated.
>
> Thanks!
> Christopher

314. EI9GQ homebrew radio page,

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-13 15:47:44 UTC
From: Eamon Skelton <Xnospam@oceanfree.net>
Message-ID: <0r1e4a.vbv.ln@my.linux.box>
Source record: 4702
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

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EI9GQ homebrew radio page.

Recent update.
Frequency display and VFO stabiliser.
HF transcever. New IF and AGC modules.

73, Ed. EI9GQ.

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Remove 'X' to reply.
http://homepage.eircom.net/~ei9gq
Linux 2.4.17
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315. Re: Ultimate Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-13 18:06:53 UTC
From: jim.bolinger@lintek.aeroflex.com
Message-ID: <8d5ec8a2.0202131006.465f89e1@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4849

The Twilight Zone??

"Fudge" <fudge@mv.igs.net> wrote in message news:<3c66bdc8_4@corp-news.newsgroups.com>...
> I want a printed circuit card that plugs into my P.C. and operates as a
> complete ham band transciver. There should be just one chip on this pc card.
> The output can be quite low, say about 1 mw but this must be cw, ssb, sstv,
> psk, fsk and of course am (Ancient Modulation).
> I would wish to have all functions desktop controllable. No more knobs to
> twiddle. It should of course sell for no more that $59.99 U.S. Where do I
> order?
>
> John
> VA3JQ
> (In The Canadian Bush)

316. Re: What do I need to get started...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-13 18:10:13 UTC
From: jim.bolinger@lintek.aeroflex.com
Message-ID: <8d5ec8a2.0202131010.223a3842@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4700

There are wireless LANS commercially available.

There are also wireless internet connections. Check with the ISPs in
your area.

Theoretically, if he does have a ham license, he could run packet from
a remote location, but he would be limited to what would be legal on
amateur frequencies.

Jim
N8EE

jr127@USA.net wrote in message news:<3C6916B4.2A6F31A8@USA.net>...
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> If you just want to be a ham you need to take the test. Contact you local
> amateur radio club, they can help you.
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> > prefer something like 400kbps) - at a range of 5-10 miles.
> >
> > The end result is a semi-mobile laptop computer connected to my
> > home/office LAN from distances up to 10 miles.
> >
> > Any help would be greatly appreciated.
> >
> > Thanks!
> > Christopher

317. Re: Batteries for portable use

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-13 18:23:45 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0202131023.1492ab37@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4701

"Jerry" <jerryaa@prodigy.net> wrote in message
news:<9hO98.24451$eS.3891163273@newssvr16.news.prodigy.com>...
> Haven't used it before. Frankly, it's heavy and toting it around always
> invites leakage. I ve heard stories about regular car batteries affecting
> digital readout.

That would be a new one on me...I've used car batteries for years. My
706 is running on one right now. I ran a 730 off one for over ten
years. I've never had a problem using a car battery. Just don't let it
run down too far. Not good for them.

I am going to be getting involved in ARES and Satern
> emergency services. I would imagine I need something to run 12 hours or so
> at a time and always a possibility a generator would not be available.

Depends on the current draw. The problem with a car battery is they
don't like to be discharged too far. Now, if you are running a small
low current draw radio, a car battery might make 12 hours just fine.
But if you are on a FD, and running a 20 amp draw hf rig, then you
will need something better. In that case, I would use the deep cycle
batteries. My last deep cycle was rated at 115 amp/hours. This means
my radio at 20 amps, could run non stop at full power for nearly 5-6
hours. Of course, in the real world , my duty cycle is much lower than
that, say 50% for a FD, so you could probably get 10-12 hours. Go
QRP??? Add many more hours to that. My 706 draws about 1.5-2 amps
receive. It could go nearly 50-60 hours on receive. Of course, you
have to factor in voltage drop when you get towards the end of the
charge. Anyway, if you are like me, and use hi-current HF rigs, only
the biggest baddest batteries will do. I use car batteries for short
spells, or if I have a charger on hand to keep it up, and a good deep
cycle for long haul stuff when I have no charger. Need more time than
115 AH? Get more batteries. The gel cells , etc, are ok, but fairly
puny in general for most of them. You probably can get big car size
gel cells, but I bet the price is high. At 55-65 $ for a marine deep
cycle, I find them about the most bang foe the buck. Also, they can
double as a car battery in a pinch if you run one down. Usually when
camping , I carry both car and deep cycle batteries. Also, A tip...Use
very THICK wire from the radios to the batteries. This way you will
minimize the voltage drop. It can become critical for some radios as
the battery starts to discharge a bit. Icoms have alway been kind of
voltage picky. I use thick jumper cable wire and anderson power
connectors, which I might add are the best connectors you can find. I
recommend.. MK

318. FS:Mosley PRO 67C Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-13 18:59:32 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020213135932.28393.00000013@mb-cm.aol.com>
Source record: 4703

FS: A Mosley PRO 67 C 7 element antenna, mint, 1 owner, 1 piece factory 3 inch military type hd boom, 3 elements on 40 and all bands including warc covered as well. $1000.00 shipped or pickup in Framingham, MA at a lower price. Overall performance approaches monoband antennas. Rated at 5KW pep as well. Thanks and 73s Lew KlNDV

319. yaesu ft23r

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-13 19:09:18 UTC
From: Keith Duffy <Keith.G0vcl@btopenworld.com>
Message-ID: <a4edku$cd4$1@helle.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4704

Looking for connection details for the ctcss lead in the bottom of ft23r unit as i wish to fit a home brew encoder unit? I don't have a circuit diagram.

320. Re: Ultimate Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-14 02:50:38 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C6B25FB.1B09FE48@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4705

sounds like you want everything for nothing hell i would love a young rich beautiful wife with a killer body and who wouldnt tell me no when ever i wanted to have sex or spend money on ham toys
but this is the real world and i know i wouldnt find her anywhere but in dream land
so if you want a radio similar to what you wish you need around $1000 its called the katchina or the one from ten-tec cant remember the name
good luck and wake up

Fudge wrote:

> I want a printed circuit card that plugs into my P.C. and operates as a
> complete ham band transciver. There should be just one chip on this pc card.
> The output can be quite low, say about 1 mw but this must be cw, ssb, sstv,
> psk, fsk and of course am (Ancient Modulation).
> I would wish to have all functions desktop controllable. No more knobs to
> twiddle. It should of course sell for no more that $59.99 U.S. Where do I
> order?
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> John
> VA3JQ
> (In The Canadian Bush)

321. Re: yaesu ft23r/FTS12 Module data

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-14 04:31:58 UTC
From: derswede@aol.comspam.com
Message-ID: <20020213233158.12083.00000019@mb-mt.aol.com>
Source record: 4706

Pins out on the FTS12 module seem to be:

Pin 1: Tone
Pin 2: CPU 5V
Pin 3: Tone STB
Pin 4: Data
Pin 5: Clock
Pin 6: Det In (off pin 29 of the MN6520)
Pin 7: Tone C
Pin 8: AF Out
Pin 9: Tx Sw
Pin 10: Gnd

Now, please understand that I've done my best to read the almost invisible print on the FTS-12 "schematic" which accompanied my unit. I can scan it in...but the print is so small I don't know if it would reproduce.

Let me know if I can help.

Cheers;
Andrew

322. Re: Ultimate Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-14 10:31:34 UTC
From: Eamon Skelton <Xnospam@oceanfree.net>
Message-ID: <6m3g4a.661.ln@my.linux.box>
Source record: 4708

In article <3c66bdc8_4@corp-news.newsgroups.com>, Fudge wrote:
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> complete ham band transciver. There should be just one chip on this pc card.
> The output can be quite low, say about 1 mw but this must be cw, ssb, sstv,
> psk, fsk and of course am (Ancient Modulation).

Your computer may already have most of the parts you need. You
could use a simple receiver front-end combined with your PC's
sound card and CPU as a DSP receiver. I remember seeing details
of such a project, I think it was called Linradio.

How fast is your graphics card? it should have three high speed
DAC's, clocked at several hundred MHz. You should be able to
make it generate a signal at HF. CW should be easy, SSB, AM
and FM might be possible too. Don't forget to put a LPF
on the output.

> I would wish to have all functions desktop controllable. No more knobs to
> twiddle. It should of course sell for no more that $59.99 U.S.

Thats a bit extravagant, it should cost no more than $10.

You'll have to write most of the software yourself, so hurry up!
and be ready for the peak of the next solar cycle :-)

73, Ed. EI9GQ.

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Remove 'X' to reply.
http://homepage.eircom.net/~ei9gq
Linux 2.4.17

323. Looking: 41 Meters- Antenna and Xmitter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-14 15:21:21 UTC
From: dangett@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <49206ac2.0202140721.56f64f12@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4707

Hello,

I had a request for a 41 meter transmitter and antenna. Can anyone
help with this. Please respond to David Kelley at this email address:

CountryMusicDJ@webtv.net

Thanks,
Dan

324. FS Nixie Tubes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-14 22:23:43 UTC
From: fixitsan@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020214172343.24919.00000546@mb-fj.aol.com>
Source record: 4709

For nixie tubes of all types go to

www.ebay.co.uk

uncheck 'items available in the UK only'
and enter 'nixie' in the search clue box

325. Dumb APRS Questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-16 14:51:15 UTC
From: cruiser1100@cox.net
Message-ID: <e98bacd8.0202160651.1b765364@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4710

I'm running WinAPRS.

1) How can I tell if I'm being received? I found
http://www.findu.com/cgi-bin/find.cgi?*, but there's a big delay, and
I'm trying to figure out how little power I need. I'd rather just
copy the station that's digipeating me.

2) What's the format for lat/lon in the packets. It appears to be
ddmm.mm, but I can't find it in the documentation.

3) Will the TNC continue to beacon my fixed location every 30 minutes,
even if WinAPRS isn't running, or if the PC is off? I checked the
contents of the TNC using a dumb terminal, and BTEXT isn't used by
WinAPRS.

Thanks!

Please email me directly at cruiser1100NOSPAM@cox.net, removing the
NOSPAM.

-Cruiser1100

326. Help, Alinco DJ-G5E

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-17 01:56:45 UTC
From: Wally <wwcase@shaw.ca>
Message-ID: <x5Eb8.52499$Cg5.2949893@news1.calgary.shaw.ca>
Source record: 4711

Can some one help me on how to reset this radio I have done the following
mod for this radio
Channel mod for the Alinco DJ-G5E
You can put your radio in channel mode:

Keylock your radio (Func 0)
Press Func #986

It will appear on the screen Ch 1
This channel is M1.
If you have M100 then you will have 100 channels

To put the radio in "normal" mode just press:

Func *284

Now the problem is that it is in channel mode and I can't get out of it. I
am unable to reset the radio by holding the function button while powering
on. when I push one of the front buttons on the radio I just get tones from
the speaker. Any suggestions anyone?
Thanks in advance Wally, VE7IF

327. ARNewsline 1279 - Feb 15 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-17 05:31:35 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020217003135.03325.00000930@mb-ch.aol.com>
Source record: 4712

Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1279 – February 15, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1279 with a release date of
Friday, February 15th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Ham radio helps in the face of a California wildfire and an appeals court says that pirate broadcasters cannot be banned from getting FCC licenses. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1279 coming your war right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS AID AT FALLBROOK CA. FIRE

Ham radio was on the scene as a wind-whipped fire raced through the remote north-western portion of Fallbrook California on Sunday February 10th. Sixteen homes were destroyed along with one sheriff's vehicle and two fire trucks. Among the houses that suffered damage was that of Grammy winner Rita Coolidge. An estimate 2600 acres were burned as this report is being prepared. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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According to Bob Gonsett, W6VR, Amateur radio operators were more than ready when the emergency the emergency hit. And so was their local repeater system:

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W6VR: “We have two repeater systems that are tied together on Red Mountain that serve Fallbrook and Fallbrook is fortunately a hotbed of Amateur Radio activity. Lots of logistics communications took place in support of Red Cross activities, animal evacuations, people evacuations and it was a very, very busy repeater system which, incidentally, is backed up by emergency power.”

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Gonsett, who is editor of the CGC Communicator broadcast industry newsletter says that hams were posted at key points in the community. This included the fire department, the sheriffs department, the hospital and the evacuation centers. Some hams provided mobile communications for animal rescue operations. Others, who specialize in evacuation matters and health and welfare traffic worked in conjunction with the American Red Cross to provide support. W6VR says that it was just about a textbook ham radio communications effort for both people and equipment.

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W6VR: “Their performance was outstanding in every respect. The repeaters worked flawlessly. There was no jamming. The greater community pulled together on this one.”
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Volunteers came from across the region. Bill and Wayne Dewey, WD6AHW and WD6AHX, served as the Net Control operators. A father and son team, the Dewey’s spent hours directing all radio communications on the Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club's repeaters. Another ham volunteer was Jess Mauk, KD6YEI, of San Diego. He manned a RACES van sent in from San Diego County. In all close to thirty radio amateurs served in the first wave of volunteer communicators. Gonsett says that hams were there because they wanted to help:

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W6VR: “It was really heartwarming to find such an outpouring of devotion from the ham community in people coming up here and making their presence known and contributing as they could. They were all useful and the community leaders thanked us repeatedly for our roles.”
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Most communications took place over the Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club’s dual redundancy repeater system This is actually two separate machines designed and built by Chris Durso, AA4CD. One outputs on 146.175 MHz and the other on 445.600 MHz. Both carry the same audio. In time of emergency anyone with a scanner radio in the Fallbrook and Temecula California area can tune to either frequency and hear all of the ham radio communications.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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One last note. According to Gonsett, one of the luckiest hams on Earth has to be Joel Brown, KE6FHS. Brown is the president of the Fallbrook Amateur Radio Club. His home survived the wildfire. Sadly, his immediate neighbor’s' house burned to the ground. (ARNewsline(tm), W6VR)

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RADIO LAW: COURT THROWS OUR PIRATE RADIO LICENSING BAN

Just because a person one operated a pirate radio station is not enough reason for the FCC to ban him from ever getting a broadcasting permit. So says a Washington D.C. Federal Appeals court. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Paul Courson, WA3VJB, reports from the nations capitol:

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The government is not allowed to use your past as a bootleg radio operator to block you from holding a legitimate broadcast license, according to a ruling from a federal appeals court February 8th.

But any victory might be short-lived for onetime pirate operators wanting to turn legit.

The case out of Washington DC involved Greg Ruggiero, a onetime bootleg radio station operator around New York. He challenged an FCC rule that bans those found guilty of pirate broadcasting from ever holding a license, or being formally associated with the recently-created low-power radio station service, an industry that has become known as FM microbroadcasting.

The appeals court agreed with Ruggiero's claim such a ban is unconstitutional as the law is now written. But the court also left open the possibility Congress could write a more narrow law in line with the First and Fifth Amendments. Part of the argument centered on a protest philosophy held by many unauthorized microbroadcasters, who see their bootleg ops as civil disobedience.

The appeals court, siding with the former bootlegger, said there was some evidence Congress, in writing the ban into broadcast law, meant to punish those with a protest message, without really improving future compliance with the law. They called it viewpoint discrimination, and said ... not allowed.

Communications law experts are mixed whether the ruling has implications beyond FM low-power broadcast licensing, including whether FCC can use violations in one service to administer broader punishment.

Traditionally, the FCC has kept open the option of revoking other licenses held by a violator, beyond the service where the violation took place. For example, someone in violation on the ham bands might have his commercial radiotelephone license pulled as well.

In Washington, Paul Courson, WA3VJB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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And what might this decision mean to Amateur Radio? Especially those cases where ham licenses are challenged based on character issues. According to retired ARRL President George Wilson, W4OYI, probably very little. George, who is also an attorney, says that despite the ruling, the FCC still has the authority on a case by case basis to deny a license to a pirate broadcaster. They can also still designate for hearing the license of any station who breaks the law or violates government rules. (Published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: FOIA BECOMING MORE DIFFICULT

Hams fighting the FCC over enforcement and other issues are finding it a lot more difficult to obtain government records under the Freedom of Information Act. This is because of an administration policy change made a month after the September 11th terrorist attacks. That’s when Attorney General John Ashcroft directed all agency leaders to be more cautious in releasing records.

Over the years, some hams who have been tagged with violations by the FCC have tried to use the federal Freedom of Information Act to try to get a line on their accusers. Most of the time the government refuses unless the person making the request can show good reason for the information to be released.

While not of a national security nature, none the less, bureaus like the FCC will most likely be heading the words of Attorney General John Ashcroft who says that agencies must carefully consider things including the effectiveness of law enforcement before releasing any documents. Ashcroft says that agencies that legitimately turn down requests made under the Freedom of Information Act will have the backing of the Justice Department in doing so. (Published news reports)

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RAIN PROMO: HOW MANY HAMS ARE THERE IN THE USA?

I'm Greg Sperling, KB9DBC.

Just how many hams are there in the United States?

As you heard last week here on Amateur Radio Newsline, the picture is not a rosy one. You can hear Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, interview with W5YI publisher and VEC Fred Maia this week on the RAIN Report. It is accessible in both Windows Media and RealAudio at www.rainreport.com and for the technologically challenged by telephone at 847-827-7246. (RAIN)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Three Rivers Amateur Radio Club repeater serving Philadelphia Pennsylvania.

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ENFORCEMENT: LOS ANGELES AREA PAROLED RADIO OPERATOR RE-ASSERTED FOR PROBATION VIOLATION

A Bell California man on parole for jamming police communications is now being held without bail for violating his probation and allegedly making death threats on the 2 meter band. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details.

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You may remember that back on November 14, 2001, the FCC set aside an Amateur Service license and the call sign KG6IRO that it had issued to one Jack Gerritson. That grant was made only a few days earlier on November 8th. The Commission took action after it received information that Gerritsen had been arrested in 1999 and convicted in 2000 for interference to the Los Angeles Police Department radio system.

Gerritsen was out on parole after serving one year of a five year prison term on that conviction. On January 29, Los Angeles FCC agents participated in the pre-dawn re-arrest of Gerritsen after authorities received complaints of death threats allegedly made by him on several Amateur frequencies.

As Gerritsen was on parole in the earlier case, a no-bail search and arrest warrant was served. This is because the terms of his probation banned him from possessing any kind of radio transmitting equipment.

But at the time he was taken into custody Gerritsen reportedly had over twenty radios at his premises. Of these the FCC says that eight were capable of operating on frequencies in the Amateur, Marine, Land Mobile and Public Safety bands. The FCC says that Gerritsen even had a Marine radio with batteries connected to it, and a length of antenna line running outside his residence hidden in a closet.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The FCC says that after they set aside Gerritsen license that he continued operating and causing deliberate interference to numerous Amateur radio repeaters in the Los Angeles area. It acted on these complaints. Now Gerritsen may spend the next four years in jail. (FCC release, other sources)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ORDERS POWER COMPANY TO HELP A HAM

The FCC has told an Alabama power utility that it has to clear up interference it is causing to a local ham radio operator. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black KB4KCH, has the latest from our South East Bureau in Birmingham:

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For more than two and a half years, Dan Jeswald, W4NTI, says his ham radio communications have been hampered by a pesky problem: interference. Jeswald moved to Anniston, Alabama, in June, 1999. It wasn't long after that, he says, that he began experiencing interference on numerous high frequency bands. He says 6 meters became unusable because of popping sounds and other interference Jeswald says sometimes rates full scale on his equipment. He says the noise is worst during cold weather and sometimes goes on for days.

Jeswald suspected a faulty transformer or other power company equipment. He says he contacted Alabama Power. Jeswald says the power company responded and began working on the problem. But in midstream before the problems were eliminated, Jeswald says there was a change of people he dealt with at the power company. Jeswald says his efforts to get help with the problem since then
have gone nowhere.

With few options left, Jeswald contacted the ARRL, which put him in touch with the FCC. On January 30th, Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth sent a letter to Alabama Power's Chief Executive Officer. In the letter, Hollingsworth advises the utility about Commission rules governing equipment that generates unintended interference. And he informs the company of its responsibility to fix the problem, or possibly face fines if a violation is found.

A call to the power company seeking comment was not returned. Meanwhile, Dan Jeswald just hopes the airwaves clear up--and soon.

From Birmingham, Alabama, David Black, KB4KCH, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Alabama Power was given thirty days to advise W4NTI as to what steps it was taking to solve the interference. (FCC release)

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: WAYNE WILLIAMS, K4MOB - S.K.

A radio amateur who dedicated almost a quarter of a century editing a ham radio magazine has crossed over to the other side of the Ethereal Abyss. This with word that Wayne Williams K4MOB, editor of the SouthEastern Repeater Association magazine "The SERA Repeater Journal" has passed away.

According to Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, Williams died at home early Tuesday morning, February 12th of complications from cancer. He was 65 years old.

Pearce says that Williams passion in Amateur Radio was FM and repeaters. He became active in SERA's predecessor, the Carolinas-Virginia Repeater Association, in the early 70's. This, at a time when two meter FM was just beginning to gain in popularity.

In 1977 Williams became the editor for the group's magazine, the Repeater Journal. The Journal was already a respectable size 44 page booklet, with regional advertising from local dealers and hamfests. But over the next 23 years, K4MOB built it into a quarterly magazine featuring full-color covers and both national and regional advertising.

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Gary Pearce KN4AQ: “Through the Repeater Journal and through the coordination body Wayne helped to provide the infrastructure that we enjoy today on VHF and UHF FM. Repeaters that we can operate with a minimum of interference and maximum of range and quality of enjoyment.”
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In parallel with his SERA activity, K4MOB also established Williams Radio. He started the business by amassing a huge inventory of crystals. In that pre-synthesizer era, two meter FM radios required a pair of crystals for each frequency used. Other crystal sources made hams wait days or weeks for delivery but Williams Radio was one of the few instant sources of crystals for almost every frequency, and for almost every radio. Later, the business added accessories and several lines of radios. It was a family affair, with Williams wife, brother and sons pitching in at hamfests across the region. K4MOB retired from Williams Radio in 1997.

Wayne Williams, K4MOB, is survived by his wife Gerry KB4SER, and two sons, Wayne Jr. and Chris. A third son, Greg, passed away in 2000. Pierce says that Wayne Williams was a very special man in ham radio. All that knew him say that he will be missed. (KN4AQ)

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AWARDS: THE VITA WIRELESS SAMARITAN AWARDS

The Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association along with the Cellular Telecommunications industry Association's Wireless Foundation have honored the winners of the 2001 VITA Wireless Samaritan Awards and the 2001 Wireless Industry Achievement Awards. Among the recipients are average citizens from Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Texas and South Dakota, who had the presence of mind to turn to their cellular telephones in emergency situations. The VITA Wireless Samaritan Awards are given annually to individuals from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. (CTIA Release)

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AWARDS: HAMAWARDS.COM

Hamawards.com is a new website that is currently under development. According to Anthony Farmer, KB3HGY, the mission of hamawards.com is to provide centralized on-line information regarding all awards that an Amateur Radio Operator can receive. The site is currently being developed. More information is at www.hamawards.com. (News release)

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BREAK 2

Here when you need us 52 weeks a year. We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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HAM RADIO AT THE WINTER OLYMPICS: ANOTHER COMMEMORATIVE STATION

Yet another commemorative station is taking to the airwaves form near the site of the 2002 Winter Olympics. Linda Reeder, N7HVF, reports from Salt Lake City Utah.

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Linda Reeder, N7HVF: "It will start on Friday February 22nd at 5 PM to the 24th. Our station call will be K7O on 80 through 10 meters. If you want a QSL send an self addressed stamped envelope to Mark Richardson, W7HPW, 11361 South 5825 West Payson Utah 84651-3622"
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Again the call sign to listen for is K7O and QSL's with a SASE go to Mark Richardson, W7HPW, 11361 South 5825 West Payson Utah 84651-3622 (ARNewsline (tm), N7HVF)

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CONVENTIONS: HAMVENTION 2002 BANQUET MASTER OF CEREMONIES NAMED
The Master of Ceremonies for the 2002 Dayton Hamvention Banquet will be Carl Nichols, N8WFQ. Nichols is the Chief Meteorologist for WDTN channel 2 News in Dayton. This is a forth return performance for Nichols who served as Hamvention banquet Master of Ceremonies since 1998. (DARA)

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CONVENTIONS: WIA IN MELBOURNE IN MAY

The 2002 Federal Convention and Annual General Meeting of the Wireless Institute of Australia is now slated for the city of Melbourne on the 17th, 18th and 19th of May. Among the many subjects to be discussed at the meeting will be a possible restructuring of the WIA and the possibility of a Foundation class license similar to that recently introduced in the U-K. (WIA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HAMS ASKED TO HELP NANOSAT PROJECT

Ham radio is being asked to provide technical support for an upcoming satellite project. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, says it is a bird called Nanosat:

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John Heath, G7HIA, the Secretary of the National Space Centre Amateur Radio Society, reports that Bristol University is asking the world-wide amateur radio community to assist with data capture from their forthcoming Nano Satellite Project.

Hand-launched from the Space Shuttle during a space walk, the 6.5-kilogram satellite will send data that can be decoded with software available free from their web site. The software is not yet written because the university wants to give amateurs the chance to have input into how they would like the data stream: 1200 baud AX25 packet, 9K6 packet, Bell 202, or Soundcard etc. More information and an on-line survey form is available on the web at www.handsat.co.uk

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH

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If you missed that website address you can find it in the print edition of this weeks amateur Radio Newsline report. (GB2RS)

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INTERNATIONAL - ENGLAND: QUEEN ELIZABETH’S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Thanks to the efforts of the Radio Society of Great Britain, UK Amateur Radio operators will be taking part in a very special celebration. On Wednesday the 6th of February, England’s Queen Elizabeth marked the 50th anniversary of her accession to the royal throne. The Queen's Golden Jubilee will be celebrated next June, and the RSGB has negotiated the use of a special prefix for the celebration. Starting June 1st and continuing through the 30th, UK hams will be permitted use of the 'GQ' prefix to help commemorate the event. (GB2RS)

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DX

In DX, E20NGF says over the Internet that there is now a new Worked All Thailand Provinces award. There are currently 76 in Thailand and this particular awards requires that you contact and confirm each one. And while E20NGF calls it a great challenge to all award chasers, he also notes that its

not all that difficult to log 20 provinces these days with more than 1000 Thai hams already on H-F. Check the various DX and awards websites for full information. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE NEW ZEALAND AREC AWARD

And finally this week, New Zealand's team of Amateur Radio Emergency Communications volunteers has received an important award. Its a special honor in recognition of their providing support of Search and Rescue efforts down-under. Amateur Radio Newslines Jim Meachen ZL2BHF in Auckland has more:

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The inaugural presentation of the New Zealand National Search and Rescue Award for the year 2001 was made to AREC at a ceremony held in Wellington earlier this month.

The Award recognizing AREC's outstanding performance and contribution to search and rescue in New Zealand was made by Marion Hobbs MP on behalf of the Government Minister of Transport. In presenting the Awards Marion Hobbs said of AREC:

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Brian Purdie ZL2ADL the National Director of Amateur Radio Emergency Communications accepted the Award on behalf of the AREC team and thanked the New Zealand National Search and Rescue Committee for the award.

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The National Director of New Zealand's Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Brian Purdie ZL2ADL. Further detail of the award ceremony with photographs can be found on the NZART web site at www.nzart.org.nz.

From Auckland New Zealand, I'm Jim Meachen ZL2BHF for Newsline.

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By the way, ZL2BHF says that he will be a flying in from Kiwi Land to take part in this years Amateur Radio Newsline sponsored live Ham Radio Town Hall meeting. It takes place at the 2002 Dayton Hamvention at 1 p.m. Eastern time on Saturday, May 18th. (ZL2BHF)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio

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Before we go, we want to mention that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year is now open. No significant changes from last year. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm _____ saying 73, and we thank you for listening. Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

328. Siltronix 1011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-17 14:02:42 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <KC2GMN@YAHOO.COM>
Message-ID: <6KOb8.3294$kL4.1181@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4713
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Does anybody have the info on changing the PA tube (8950) over to the 6HF5 in the 1011 series? Have one I want to put on 10 meters, the 8950 is missing and more expensive than hens teeth.

Also need a meter for this radio or a suggestion for a replacement.

Thanks

329. Re: Siltronix 1011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-17 15:15:09 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@charter.net>
Message-ID: <u6vifbg3vracbc@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4714
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

You might check with this guy
http://sonic.ucdavis.edu/siltronix/rs00004.html

"Ray Keefe" <KC2GMN@YAHOO.COM> wrote in message
news:6KOb8.3294$kL4.1181@nwrddc02.gnilink.net...
> Does anybody have the info on changing the PA tube (8950) over to the 6HF5
> in the 1011 series? Have one I want to put on 10 meters, the 8950 is
> missing and more expensive than hens teeth.
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> Also need a meter for this radio or a suggestion for a replacement.
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> Thanks
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330. 1968 to 1977 callbook

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-17 15:57:10 UTC
From: Jay Tuttle <tuttlej3@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <qpQb8.77535$Pz4.349457@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4715

Help I need to find a listing of my call sign in an old call book to get credit for current tests I am taking. My call sign was WA7HYX. If you have this information please email me at tuttlej2@attbi.com

331. Re: Help, Alinco DJ-G5E

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-17 23:02:10 UTC
From: Wally <wwcase@shaw.ca>
Message-ID: <SDWb8.59062$Cg5.3284249@news1.calgary.shaw.ca>
Source record: 4716

Stupid me... I solved my own problem...I was hitting #284 instead of*284
duhhhh! thanks again
"Wally" <wwcase@shaw.ca> wrote in message
news:x5Eb8.52499$Cg5.2949893@news1.calgary.shaw.ca...
> Can some one help me on how to reset this radio I have done the following
> mod for this radio
> Channel mod for the Alinco DJ-G5E
> You can put your radio in channel mode:
>
> Keylock your radio (Func 0)
> Press Func #986
>
> It will appear on the screen Ch 1
> This channel is M1.
> If you have M100 then you will have 100 channels
>
> To put the radio in "normal" mode just press:
>
> Func *284
>
> Now the problem is that it is in channel mode and I can't get out of it. I
> am unable to reset the radio by holding the function button while powering
> on. when I push one of the front buttons on the radio I just get tones
from
> the speaker. Any suggestions anyone?
> Thanks in advance Wally, VE7IF
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332. Page Updated

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-18 15:35:23 UTC
From: Ham Op <ham_op@subdimension.com>
Message-ID: <%a9c8.262694$kf1.76005766@news1.rdc1.ne.home.com>
Source record: 4717

If you liked QSO Clock you'll love QSO Notes and they're both free.

http://www.qsl.net/w4kgu

333. Re: Siltronix 1011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-18 21:49:32 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <KC2GMN@YAHOO.COM>
Message-ID: <MFec8.4777$kL4.2020@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4718
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

The website for the Siltronix only makes mention of the conversion and makes a vague reference to an out of print ARRL book from the 80's of a collection of Hint's & Kinks.

If anyone has the info on how to do this conversion it would be greatly appreciated, since 10 is hot now, I would like to put this old rig on the air. Before 10 goes dead for the next 11 years.

Thanks
Ray

334. Re: Siltronix 1011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-18 23:39:07 UTC
From: Joe <joe.amp@NOSPAMverizon.net>
Message-ID: <vggc8.5066$kL4.3195@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4719
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Use a 6KD6 and change the plate cap, rebias, re-neutralize.
Check the pinout first I believe its the same.
You will have to go easy on it since the 6KD6 rating is less than an 8950.

>Also need a meter
Ray, I wouldn't invest to much $$ in that set, they are junk and drift worse
than HW-101's
I doubt you will be keeping it if you get it working
-Joe

Ray Keefe wrote in message <6KOb8.3294$kL4.1181@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>...
>Does anybody have the info on changing the PA tube (8950) over to the 6HF5
>in the 1011 series? Have one I want to put on 10 meters, the 8950 is
>missing and more expensive than hens teeth.
>
>Also need a meter for this radio or a suggestion for a replacement.
>
>Thanks
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>

335. Re: IRC's?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-19 03:20:19 UTC
From: wz8a@aol.commie.NOT
Message-ID: <20020218222019.22185.00001021@mb-fk.aol.com>
Source record: 4720

>They used to be sold at the post office (US Postal Service)

"Green Stamps" are cheaper ($1) and work better. AK

End the massive abuses of 26 USC section 6103 - written to protect taxpayers, not hide IRS misconduct. Remove from our government those IRS 'Disclosure Officers' who obstruct justice, rather that protect taxpayer privacy.
Reform IRS! AK

336. Sony ICF-SW7600GR

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-19 08:55:39 UTC
From: c200herry@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <bdf14960.0202190055.7c1357f1@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4721

Hi everybody.

I have been thinking about buying Sony ICF-SW7600GR
receiver. But I found following information on the Web
about Sony ICF-SW7600 receiver:

ICF-SW7600
Radio Netherlands' measurements
Frequency Range | Sensitivity (in microvolts)
| for 20 dB S+N/N
---|---
2 - 6 MHz | 2.1 mkV
12 - 17 MHz | 10.6 mkV

Bandwidth	Dynamic Selectivity
+/- 5 kHz	26.0 dB
+/- 10 kHz	46.0 dB
+/- 15 kHz	51.0 dB

Blocking level ..... 4.2 mV

Image Rejection ..... 16 dB
(at +/- 910 kHz)

Intercept Point ..... -5 dBm

And I'm wondering:
Does Sony ICF-SW7600GR have the same selectivity and sensitivity
as Sony ICF-SW7600 ? I think that above mentioned characteristics
are too bad for receiver of that class (dual conversion, Synchronous
detection and so on).
Could anybody tell me smth about selectivity and sensitivity of
Sony ICF-SW7600G/GR model?
Has they been improved?
Maybe anybody knows any other additional information?

Thank you in advance.
Andrew.

337. ic2710h, 207h 2m-440 rigs and 220 rockbound

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-20 00:30:25 UTC
From: kimmet@ev1.net
Message-ID: <3c72ecb5.252500@news.ev1.net>
Source record: 4722

I have 3 radios, 2 must go
one of the dualband icoms and the clegg 220 rockbound

both icoms are:
high power 50/35 (2m/440)rx AM airbands and well into the 170's
rx down to 420's and up into the 470's will do gmrs or frs recieve
(not t-a for xmit here) have manual, power and mic cords with dtmf
mike
the 2710h has dual recieve and crossband, the 207h is single recieve

the clegg is 220 rockbound (crystal) 10 watts with the calling
frequency installed (used for packet) have mic, manual, and power cord
(is attached)
dtmf pad on radio is nonfunctional aftermarket, but no problems with
the rig.

207h $200 shipped
2710h $275 shipped
clegg fm 76 $70 shipped

I can be reaced via email OR by phone ONLY
email is kevtis@hotmail.com
phone is 8176773078 (after 7pm)

thanks for your interest

KM5RT
Kevin Tischler

338. WANTED: Optolinx, CT17, CT-17, CIV, CI-V, ICOM MANUALS IC-R7100, ICR7100, IC7100, R7100, 7100

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-20 05:47:17 UTC
From: ddmga@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <296ea75a.0202192147.449dbb7f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4723
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur

WANTED: Optolinx, CT17, CT-17, CIV, CI-V, ICOM MANUALS IC-R7100, ICR7100, IC7100, R7100, 7100

DDMGA@YAHOO.COM

339. Re: Siltronix 1011

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-21 23:17:59 UTC
From: NI4L <ni4l@charter.net>
Message-ID: <3C758027.F61E493A@charter.net>
Source record: 4724
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

http://tubesplus.org/index.htm

Ray Keefe wrote:

> Does anybody have the info on changing the PA tube (8950) over to the 6HF5
> in the 1011 series? Have one I want to put on 10 meters, the 8950 is
> missing and more expensive than hens teeth.
>
> Also need a meter for this radio or a suggestion for a replacement.
>
> Thanks

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340. Want Winradio Type Software For Icom

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-22 00:54:29 UTC
From: ddmga@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <296ea75a.0202211654.421e65ff@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4725
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur,de.comm.funk.cb,hannover.funk.amateurfunk,de.alt.radio-scanner

I just got an Icom IC-R7100 receiver. I used to have a Winradio
Wr1000i. Is there a software package out there for the Icom that is
as good or better than the Winradio software?

Thanks for any help!

-David DDMGA@YAHOO.COM

341. Re: Want Winradio Type Software For Icom

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-22 02:43:58 UTC
From: --Jeff Mayner-- <bk43@pacbell.net>
Message-ID: <Ofid8.149025$d34.11054333@bin8.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4726
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur,de.comm.funk.cb,hannover.funk.amateurfunk,de.alt.radio-scanner

http://members.tripod.com/~Malzev/cb-radio/index.htm

Jeff

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news:296ea75a.0202211654.421e65ff@posting.google.com...
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> -David DDMGA@YAHOO.COM
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342. ic-2100 schematic

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-22 06:54:48 UTC
From: michael jantzen <jantzen_michael@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <YWld8.87$0e4.5156@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 4727

So I picked up this 2100 for cheap - apparently someone tried to mod it, and wasn't so sucessful. The on/off switch doesn't work anymore - if you plug in the radio is just pops on automatically.

Anyhoo - I found the component removed (where it goes, not the actual component), but I'm not entirely sure what it was. The component he was supposed to remove to sucessfully finish the mod was right next to it (to the left) and was a diode and is clearly labeled on the pc-board (with the familiar ->- like symbol).

While searching around I found this lovely site full of schematics, but it was lacking the one I needed http://krasnodar.online.ru/hamradio/sch_eng.html - they also have lots of manuals.

The mod they tried to perform is right here - http://www.mods.dk/mods.php3?radio=icom&model=ic-2100&selectid=310#310 .

Unfortunately there's a lot of idiots working on these things. Why they didn't put it back together after they discovered it wasn't working properly is beyond me.

Can anyone help? I wouldn't mind restoring this back to its factory settings...

Thanks!

Michael Jantzen ^_^ N7WSB

343. Radio In The Canadian Bush

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-22 14:39:16 UTC
From: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net>
Message-ID: <3c765865_3@corp-news.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 4728

How about renting a cabin on an organic farm in Eastern Ontario surounded by forest? Modern, high gain ham antennas in a very low noise environment. Free vegetables in season and fresh eggs every day. Absolute peace and quiet. By the week. Check out my web site.

http://www.radiovacation.ca/index.htm

John
VA3JQ

344. Ten Tec Triton 540 +++

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-22 18:41:28 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020222134128.29929.00000016@mb-fa.aol.com>
Source record: 4729

FS: Ten Tec Triton 540 with the vox supply, cw filter, noise blanker, and manuals. Radio went back a year ago and had pto rebuild, new drivers and finals, and alignment -cost $229.00. I also have the matching VFO (hard to find). Its alot of fun classic radio and in good condition.. $400.00 and I'll throw in a D104 and G stand too. Thanks fer the read-Lew KlNDV

345. Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-23 07:07:23 UTC
From: ScanMan <MyScannerIsOn@MyPlace.com>
Message-ID: <LcHd8.5588$4xE.4645@news1.bloor.is>
Source record: 4730
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

I am just wondering if there is a place on the net where, I might be able to get a list of Canadian Amateur Radio email addresses. I know that it goes like callsign@rac.ca

Is there anywhere I can get a list of these.

also, American might be nice too, but for now I am just looking at Canadian

Thanks,

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
Version: 6.0.325 / Virus Database: 182 - Release Date: 2/20/2002

346. Re: Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-23 10:26:02 UTC
From: Chug <Bluefis@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <_6Kd8.10147$X_2.1467820165@newssvr17.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4731
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Why?

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347. Re: Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-23 11:29:17 UTC
From: Eamon Skelton <Xnospam@oceanfree.net>
Message-ID: <deu75a.jhd.ln@my.linux.box>
Source record: 4732
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

In article <_6Kd8.10147$X_2.1467820165@newssvr17.news.prodigy.com>, Chug wrote:

> Why?

There is only one possible reason why, he's a SPAMMER.

E.S.

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Remove 'X' to reply.
http://homepage.eircom.net/~ei9gq
Linux 2.4.17

348. Re: Radio In The Canadian Bush

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-23 15:00:17 UTC
From: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net>
Message-ID: <3c77aee0_2@corp-news.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 4733

Well, telebart, are we feeling a bit negative today. If one does not wish to listen to HF noise, then one can reach up and switch the rig OFF. The noise level here is very low and not everybody gets to make contacts with a 3 element full size qubical quad on 40M. There are other things to do here on the farm. You could have a Spock type mind meld with the chickens. You could eat fresh grubs, listen to the birds or go for a walk in the bush.

VA3JQ

"telebart" <whatever@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:5kge7ugct6u73gr3e2ni26t58il9cf6k6c@4ax.com...
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> >http://www.radiovacation.ca/index.htm
> >
> >John
> >VA3JQ
> >
> Why the fuck would one want to listen to HF noise/crap when one wants
> to relax?
> Kinda like a valium & expresso mixed together?

349. Re: Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-24 17:49:02 UTC
From: Dwight Weisman <NOdweisman5SPAM@home.dot.com>
Message-ID: <SJ9e8.27108$UE.372291@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4734
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

I have to agree, you would think . . . nah I won't say that it would just give him ideas he doesn't already have. Oh well, I might as well be happy that I haven't sent my dues of to RAC and set up my email yet :(.

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items may be closer than they appear
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> Linux 2.4.17

350. Ham Radio for Electrical Engineers?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-24 20:16:28 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020224151628.18505.00000420@mb-mk.aol.com>
Source record: 4735

I have a degree in Electrical Engineering. I decided to go to some ham radio meetings. Being interested in Electronics, I have found that the subject area is not what I was expecting. I know there are many different modes of operation. Is ham radio (or a subset of it) for me?

I go to these meetings and "Hams" talk about Ham politics, how they contacted someone. The meetings seem very boring. I went to more than one club and one of them seems to be the least boring than the others. No disrespect, but Hams and Ham radio seems to be boring. Hams talk about information technology (IT) more than they talk about radio or electronics. I am not interested in IT. I want to hear about Electronics. Most "Hams" I have met simply operate a radio and do not know about Electronics (other than antenna selection).

Hams seem to make a big deal about communicating over a radio. So what if town officials dont let you put up a tower. What is so great about Amateur radio? What is the challenge? If you like to communicate over a radio, why go to meetings about it? Is Ham radio a cult?

It seems that some "Hams" are interested in Electronics. There are artilcles in magazines such as QST of a technical nature. How do I find the technical Hams. Are some clubs more active in this area than others? I have not been to Field Day and this seems like an interesting activity. Are there other Ham Radio activities?

351. Re: Ham Radio for Electrical Engineers?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-24 21:02:07 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <3C7954CF.637300D5@dialpoint.net>
Source record: 4736

You will find hams are a most interisting combination of people. I have been a ham for about 30 years getting started around 22 years old. I had a good electronics background before then. Very few hams are interisted in the electronic part but just want to talk. At many of the meetings I have been to there is little electronic discussion but much as you have found them to be , political. Seems the ones that are into the electronic aspect do not go to meetings. We have a local repeater and everyone used to want to tell how to run it but almost noone wanted to help do the work. Even getting some hams up to the site to do some manyal work such as installing a new antenna or just trimming some bush and trees out of the guywires seem to be very difficult.

There are many tings you can do as you have found out from the technical articals . To find the technical hams you have to get on the air and start talking and asking. This does not usually mean the local 2 meter repeaters but the low bands. You did not state the areas you are interisted in. You do get the license to build and use the equipment that you want and to modify comercial equipment to suit your needs.

YOu can build almost any type of communication device you wish.

Vshah101 wrote:
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> of them seems to be the least boring than the others. No disrespect, but Hams
> and Ham radio seems to be boring. Hams talk about information technology (IT)
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352. Software - Text to CW ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-24 21:52:21 UTC
From: Pete Holden <peholden@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <ogde8.4389$9o.45186@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4737

Does anyone know where I can download software which will generate code at a speed I specify from a text file. In other words, from a paragraph or two of text that I paste in from the clipboard.

Thanks, Pete KA�TZK

353. Re: Ham Radio for Electrical Engineers?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-24 22:27:06 UTC
From: Eamon Skelton <Xnospam@oceanfree.net>
Message-ID: <qbpb5a.l6f.ln@my.linux.box>
Source record: 4738

In article <20020224151628.18505.00000420@mb-mk.aol.com>, Vshah101 wrote:

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> in magazines such as QST of a technical nature. How do I find the technical
> Hams.

Subscribe to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew for lots of technical discussion
about the design and construction of home made amateur radio equipment.

73, Ed. EI9GQ.

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Remove 'X' to reply.
http://homepage.eircom.net/~ei9gq
Linux 2.4.17

354. 440 ANTENNA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-24 23:32:29 UTC
From: pep3@webtv.net
Message-ID: <1478-3C79780D-17@storefull-2175.public.lawson.webtv.net>
Source record: 4739

HELLO FELLOW HAMS;
I AM KB1GLJ IN QUINCY MA. MY PROBLEM IS, I HAVE AND MFJ DUAL BAND MOBILE MAG ANTENNA OUTSIDE OF MY WINDOW WHICH IS THE ONLY PLACE I AM ALLOWED TO PUT IT.
I PUT IT ON A METAL SHELF BRACKET WITH A NINE INCH SQUARE STEEL PLATE UNDER THE MAG. TROUBLE IS, I CAN REACH ALL THE REPEATERS IN THE AREA EXCEPT 446.575.
IF ANYONE HAS ANY SUGGESTIONS, I WOULD APPRECIATE IT. YOU WOULD HAVE TO E-MAIL ME AS I CAN NEVER FIND MY POSTS IN ANY CHATS I HAVE BEEN IN.
THANK YOU IMMENSELY, JIM (KB1GLJ)

355. Re: Software - Text to CW ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-25 02:50:31 UTC
From: me@privacy.net
Message-ID: <3C79A677.E525480F@privacy.net>
Source record: 4740

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-----BEGIN PGP SIGNED MESSAGE-----
Hash: SHA1

Go to http://www.worldlynx.net/w3bnr/paarc.html
and in the left part of the screen click on CW Practice Program

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> Thanks, Pete KAï¿½TZK

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me -
real address in coded signature

-----BEGIN PGP SIGNATURE-----
Version: PGPfreeware 7.0.3 for non-commercial use <http://www.pgp.com>

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356. Re: Ham Radio for Electrical Engineers?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-25 08:02:29 UTC
From: michael jantzen <jantzen_michael@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <pcme8.29686$%D5.102861@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4741

I think you'll find all types in amatuer radio - some are interested in just being social (sounds like the club you visited). Some are interested in making contacts and collecting qsl cards.

Some like me - are interested in experimental stuff like sattelites, vhf/uhf/shf propogation and boring non-experimental stuff like cw. I wish I knew more about electronics like yourself - I'm a social studies graduate though :(- maybe some day :). Although I have done minor repairs, made lots and lots of cables and made several of my own antennas.

Michael Jantzen n7wsb

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357. Re: Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-25 13:01:02 UTC
From: KC8PMX <kc8pmx@NOSPAMdiamondcs.net>
Message-ID: <iAqe8.2938$eI1.759271@monger.newsread.com>
Source record: 4742
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

That could be true, or he could also be needing to contact some he may have had prior contact with. Or....

There has been a few cases where I did not have the opportunity to exchange an email address over the air, and it would have been nice to have a place to get that. I suppose more people should have their profile pages on Qrz.com filled out as that may be a solution.

You are probably right but I guess I always shoot for the underdog.

Ryan

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358. Re: Software - Text to CW ??

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Date: 2002-02-25 13:01:04 UTC
From: KC8PMX <kc8pmx@NOSPAMdiamondcs.net>
Message-ID: <kAqe8.2940$eI1.759330@monger.newsread.com>
Source record: 4743

Try searching for a program called Numorse. I think the site is something like www.Nuware.org or www.Nuware.com or something along these lines.

The program will read a standard text file and send it in morse code. It also can save the morse code in a .wav file which could be burned to a CD if interested.

Ryan KC8PMX

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359. Re: 440 ANTENNA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-26 01:22:45 UTC
From: jeffory hall W4HQ <jhall5@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <dkBe8.47347$2v1.1566541@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4744

my guess is that the machine you can't bring up has a tone on it. sheck this out. 73 w4hq jeff
"Jim" <pep3@webtv.net> wrote in message news:1478-3C79780D-17@storefull-2175.public.lawson.webtv.net...
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JESUS IS THE WAY, THE TRUTH, THE LIGHT AND, AT THIS EXACT MOMENT, YOU CAN ASK HIM INTO YOUR HEART.

There is only one way into the kingdom of heaven and, that is through Jesus. Pray to Him and ask Him into your heart for, this is His desire for you.(Romans 10, verses 9 thru13)

Closer walk...If God is your co-pilot......switch seats!{click here too} NO MARKETING MAILS ARE EVER OPENED HERE!!!

360. Re: Radio In The Canadian Bush

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-26 06:39:25 UTC
From: Dwight Weisman <NOdweisman5SPAM@home.dot.com>
Message-ID: <c6Ge8.113$fV.15592@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4745

Hmm, what kinda grubs we talkin'. By the way, whereabouts in Eastern Ontario, I could just plug the call into the database but I am feeling a little lazy and its late. Besides, I really want to know about the grubs. ;)

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> > > How about renting a cabin on an organic farm in Eastern Ontario
> surounded
> > >by forest? Modern, high gain ham antennas in a very low noise
> environment.
> > >Free vegetables in season and fresh eggs every day. Absolute peace and
> > >quiet. By the week. Check out my web site.
> > >
> > >http://www.radiovacation.ca/index.htm
> > >
> > >John
> > >VA3JQ
> > >
> > Why the fuck would one want to listen to HF noise/crap when one wants
> > to relax?
> > Kinda like a valium & expresso mixed together?
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361. Re: NuMorse (Was Software - Text to CW ??)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-26 15:40:57 UTC
From: Rod <rodd@ac6v.com>
Message-ID: <3C7BAC8A.759BC517@ac6v.com>
Source record: 4746

It is at URL:
http://www.Nu-Ware.com/

Dozens of others at URL:
http://ac6v.com/morseprograms.htm

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73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!

AC6V Mega Ham Index at http://ac6v.com
AC6V Book For DXers at http://ac6v.com/DXSAMPLE.htm
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KC8PMX wrote:

> Try searching for a program called Numorse. I think the site is something
> like www.Nuware.org or www.Nuware.com or something along these lines.
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> The program will read a standard text file and send it in morse code. It
> also can save the morse code in a .wav file which could be burned to a CD if
> interested.
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> Ryan KC8PMX
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> "Pete Holden" <peholden@attbi.com> wrote in message
> news:ogde8.4389$9o.45186@sccrnsc02...
> > Does anyone know where I can download software which will generate code at
> a
> > speed I specify from a text file. In other words, from a paragraph or two
> > of text that I paste in from the clipboard.
> >
> > Thanks, Pete KAï¿½TZK
> >
> >

362. ARNewsline 1280 - Feb 22 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-26 21:17:43 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020226161743.07498.00000576@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 4747

Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1280 – February 22, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1280 with a release date of Friday, February 22nd, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Ultra-wideband is here and the fight to keep high power unlicensed devices off of 70 centimeters escalates. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1280 coming your way right now.

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SPECTRUM ALLOCATIONS: FCC APPROVES ULTRAWIDEBAND

The nation's communications regulators have approved limited use of a new technology that is actually capable of seeing through walls, finding disaster victims and even preventing car crashes. Known as ultra-wideband, is a new method of wireless transmission is being promoted as a potential solution to the squeeze on the nation's airwaves created by the explosion of mobile phone, pager and other wireless device usage. We have more in this report:

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Ultra-wideband devices will for now operate only in 960 MHz and in the 1.99 to 10.6 GHz bands. In theory, at least, you should never even know that they are there. This is because proponents of ultra-wideband claim that interference to other spectrum users is virtually non-existent -- based on the ultra short duration and pulsed nature of the transmissions. And the Federal Communications Commission agreed when it voted unanimously about a week ago to allow the technology to be used on a limited unlicensed basis.

The FCC proceeded cautiously out of uncertainty whether ultra-wideband could coexist with other strategic services. In other words, it wanted to be certain that it would not cause harmful interference to military communications, cellular telephones and the Global Positioning System. So it only provided ultra-wideband access to a small portion of R-F real estate. None-the-less, the real-life implications of the limits of the FCC decision are far reaching.

Up to now the military has been the only ultra-wideband user. This FCC action will allow for wireless communications and accurate readings of location and distance that have a wide range of civilian applications. For the general public this includes wireless, high-speed transmissions over short distances. Possibly as a way of sending video from a camcorder to a television set or data from a personal digital assistant to a laptop computer. The technology might also include sensor systems in cars to alert a driver to movement near the

vehicle. This could prevent collisions and promote smart air bag deployment.

Otherwise, the FCC has limited use of ultra-wideband technology to public safety. Only police and fire officials, scientific researchers, mining and construction companies will be permitted the use of so-called ground-penetrating radar devices. These would only be permitted to radiate straight down with little or no signal leakage in any other direction. The FCC notes that this system could help rescuers find victims in rubble following a disaster or locate ruptured underground pipelines without digging up entire neighborhoods.

The FCC severely limited distribution of ultra-wideband devices that can see through walls and detect motion within certain areas. Only law enforcement and firefighters will be permitted to have them. In other words, you won't soon be buying a home camcorder that can peer through your wall and into your next door neighbor's apartment. And you probably never will.

Right now the introduction of ultra-wideband will have very little impact on ham radio due to the limited spectrum being allocated to it. But it's use could be expanded in the future if it's proved not to interfere with existing military and public service communications.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, in Los Angeles.

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If ultra-wideband is successful it could eventually open up a whole new world of communications for ham radio. For starters, think in terms of so-called smart software defined radios. Radio’s that are so smart that you tell it who you want to talk to and it calls you when that person is ready to hold a QSO.

More on this emerging technology in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (FCC and other published reports)

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SPECTRUM SHARING: SAVI TECHNOLOGY VS. HAM RADIO

The fight to keep radio ID tags off the 70 centimeter ham band is entering the home stretch. This is because the FCC has set March 1st as the deadline for reply comments on RM-10051.

RM-10051 is the Rule Making designation given to a request from SAVI Technologies, Inc. As previously reported, SAVI has petitioned the FCC for it to be allowed to develop and market a family of Part 15 devices designed to operate on the amateur 70 centimeter band. These Radio Frequency Identification Tag devices would operate at a power level far higher than similar devices now marketed and that’s where the real problem with the proposal lies.

Ham radio educator Gordon West WB6NOA, is an expert in weak signal operations. West says that it will mean problems for weak signal and satellite operators:

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WB6NOA: “I think that the presence of any strong; either continuous or intermittent signal near the weak signal portions of the [70 centimeter] band is going to dramatically cause interference to those of us that monitor for either weak signal beacons -- such as those heard on the West coast that come in from Hawaii -- or for those who operate weak signal SSB and CW satellite.”
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West says that even some of the micro power Part 15 devices already sharing the 70 CM band are causing major problems:
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WB6NOA: “Presently on the weak signal 70 centimeter band we are having to put up with low power, intermittent [home] weather stations. You know, those weather stations that you see advertised as transmitting in their data on 432 and 433 MHz. Even these weather stations when they transmit will cause the AGC in my receiver to pump and it takes two to three seconds before the AGC returns [to normal] before I can begin listening again for weak incoming beacons.

Those [transmitters] are just a few hundred milliwatts at about 300 to 500 feet away. You can imagine when these more powerful transmitters come on the air in the 70 centimeter portion of our Amateur Radio band.”
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But exotic modes won’t be the only ones affected. There is more than ample reason to believe that FM repeaters, remote base and A-T-V operations could suffer as well. And with the reply comment deadline only a few days away Dick Isley, W9GIG, the Secretary of the National Frequency Coordinators Council says that an e-mail and fax campaign to congress may be the only way to get RM-10051 killed.

In an e-mail to the Amateur Radio Newsline and other Amateur Radio publications, Isley says that it is imperative that hams send electronic messages their elected federal representatives in opposition to RM-10051. Isley believes that if 10,000 or more hams respond to this call, the SAVI Technology proposal could become a political hot potato. Hopefully one that is so hot that the Commission drops it completely. (ARNewsline(tm))

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SPECTRUM SHARING: THE ARRL VS. THE FCC ON SAVI TECHNOLOGY

As hams get ready to write e-mails to congress, the ARRL is following a different diplomacy. It is challenging the FCC’s authority in this matter saying that the agency 'cannot legally proceed with the rules proposed for unlicensed Radio Frequency Identification tags at 433 MHz. Jim Haynie, W5JBP, is the President of the American Radio Relay League:

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W5JBP: “You have to go back and look at the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. What Congress said was that in equipment that puts out a signal at a certain level must be licensed. The FCC has said that they are going to make this a Part 15 device does not require a license.

Our [ARRL] argument is that they cannot do this by law. Congress would have to pass a law to allow them to make this powerful radiator a part 15 device. In other words, change the whole parameter of what Part 15 [devices] are."
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Haynie says that the League has said it will 'do whatever it takes to keep the FCC from putting these Radio Frequency Identification tags in the 70 centimeter band. You can hear more from President Haynie by tuning in right now to the RAIN Report. It in streaming audio at www.rainreport.com and on the phone at 847-827-7246. (ARNewsline(tm), RAIN, ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA2UGO repeater serving Mt. Beacon N.Y.

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PUBLIC SERVICE: HAM RADIO AT THE WINTER OLYMPICS

Ham radio was a major player at the 2002 Winter Olympics. Not competing in the games, but working in support of overall security. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more.

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According to an ARRL bulletin, Amateur Radio volunteers assisted with security and were ready to provide back-up communication for the Winter Olympic games. According to Utah ARRL Section Manager Mel Parkes, AC7CP, a special public safety organization called the Utah Olympic Public Safety Command was created by the various local and national public safety organizations that provide the security necessary for the international event.

According to Parkes, Section Emergency Coordinator John Mabey, W7CWK, and Brent Thomas, AC7H, from the State of Utah Comprehensive Management Office began working on this effort over a year ago. Mabey, along with Davis County Emergency Coordinator Hall Blankenship, and several other hams headed up the effort to provide emergency backup communication for the Olympic Security Command. At its height the winter games the ham radio group numbered close to 200. These radio amateurs provided back-up communications with the ability to reach numerous Olympic venues 24 hours a day.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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Parks had some nice words for the corps of Olympics communications volunteers. He said that the hard work and dedication by all these dedicated Amateur Radio Operators certainly contributed to a very successful and safe Winter Olympic Games. (ARRL)

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ENFORCEMENT: DON’T PLAY MUSIC ON THE AIR

The FCC has told three hams that they have been caught allegedly playing music on the air. In letters to the trio, FCC Rules Enforcer Riley Hollingsworth says that such transmissions are contrary to the Commission's rules regarding the Amateur Radio Service:

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Hollingsworth: “We warned Ronald Marshott, N2NGY of Berkely Heights New Jersey, Frank Grzych W1FU of Johnston Rhode Island, Martin J. Bellingeri, W2OT, of Saddle Brook New Jersey and Zack Elliott K2BLU Haworth New Jersey about playing music on the 75 meter band.”

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According to Hollingsworth the transmissions took place on 3.832 MHz on the evening of November 27, 2001. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC VS. K1MAN – CONTINUED

The saga of the FCC versus K1MAN continues. This as the FCC issues yet another letter to the Belgrade Lakes Maine ham. Among other things, this time the FCC is warning not to put phone recorded calls on the air. Riley Hollingsworth, is Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement the regulatory agency:

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Hollingsworth: “We sent a combination warning letter and explanatory letter to Glen Baxter, K1MAN, of Belgrade Lakes Maine concerning deliberate interference, lack of station control, sending felony complaint affidavits to those whom he perceives were interfering with him; tape recording telephone conversations without permission and broadcasting them.”

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In its letter the agency warned that it is also important for K1MAN to understand that if these matters are not resolved, his ham licenses will not be routinely renewed the next time he applies. Instead Baxter’s licenses will be designated for hearing before an Administrative Law Judge. In such a proceeding, the FCC says that Baxter would have the burden of proof to show that his licenses should be renewed. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: ILLEGAL CORDLESS PHONE SELLER FINED

Remember those high power cordless phones that we reported on a few months ago. The ones found operating in the 2 meter and 220 MHz Amateur bands? Well an alleged source of some of these illegal devices has been told it will have to pay a hefty fine for selling them here in the United States.

On October 23, 2001, the Commission issued a Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture in the amount of $7,000 to Electronics Unlimited of Miami Florida. This, for allegedly marketing of a non-compliant high-power cordless telephone called the Alcon AT 526.

The company was afforded ample time to reply to the allegations. The FCC says that Electronics Unlimited never did file a response. Based on the information before it on February 15th the FCC affirmed the forfeiture order and gave Electronics Unlimited 30 days to pay. If the Electronics Unlimited fails to pay the forfeiture within the specified period of time the FCC says that the case may be referred to the Department of Justice for collection. (FCC)

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FM AND REPEATERS: UNYREPCO NEW MID VALLEY NY REPEATER COORDINATOR

Repeater owners and operators of other F M and packet relay devices in Orange, Putnam, and Sullivan counties in York State have adopted the Upper New York Repeater Council, Inc. to provide frequency coordination services. This was an area originally represented by the long defunct North East Repeater Association that went belly-up in the early 1970’s. It then used the services of the Tri State Amateur Repeater Council until that organization disbanded a few years ago. Since then the region has been on its own.

This process of the Upper New York Repeater Council adopting the region was completed following a review of the existing systems by the established and recognized adjacent region frequency coordination councils. The change became effective February 13th.
More information is on the available on the web www.unyrepco.org (UNYREPCO)

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BREAK 2

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: SURFING AT 39000 FEET

The Federal Communications Commission has granted Boeing a license to provide high-speed Internet service to airline passengers. Boeing said the FCC approval clears the way for its planned in-flight Internet service called Connexion. Connexion -- Spelled C-O-N-N-E-X-I-O-N -- will enable airlines and other commercial jet operators to offer real-time, high-speed Internet and intranet access, television and e-mail. This, while flying over United States territory and waters. (Boeing)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: A TEACHERS GUIDE TO ARISS CONTACTS

Tony Hutchinson, VK5ZAI, says that he has updated his web site with a "Teachers Guide" for schools that have been selected to speak with the crew on the I-S-S. On his pages, Hutchinson provides what amounts to a final check list of things that must be done in the weeks prior to the contact taking place. Also posted is a list of the actual questions that students have asked in the past.

Tony Hutchinson is the Amateur Radio on the International Space Station Coordinator for all of Australia. To find his very interesting resource, take your web browser http://www.electric-web.org/teachers_guide.htm. (AMSAT-NA)

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INTERNATIONAL - SOUTH AFRICA: SARL READIES FOR WRC 2003

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa has invited the South Africa Radio League to participate in the preparatory work for the World Radio Conference in 2003. SARL President Hans Potgieter ZS6ALJ will be joining I-C-A-S-A sub-committee 4 which is tasked to develop South Africa's position on Maritime mobile, Amateur and Amateur Satellite, and broadcasting services in the Medium Frequency and High Frequency bands. A number of specific amateur related items are on the W-R-C agenda, including the realignment of amateur and broadcasting allocations around 7 MHz, and possible revisions to articles S-1, S-19 and S-25 of the international radio rules. (SARL, Q-News)

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CONTESTS: VHF SPRING SPRINTS

Attention VHF and UHF contesters. K4AR has announced over the VHF Reflector that the VHF Spring Sprints will be held again in 2002. The Sprints are sponsored by the East Tennessee DX Association. The dates, official rules and lots of other information can be found at www.etdxa.org/vhf.htm (VHF Reflector)

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DX

In DX, 9V1YC reports that the 2002 South Sandwich and South Georgia DXpedition is now officially over with all operators are back home safe and sound. 9V1YC says that the DX-pedition achieved all of its goals and made an astounding 70,428 QSO's using SSB, CW and RTTY. On-air time was 80 hours at VP8THU, and 7 days, 10 hours at VP8GEO. (RSGB)

And husband and wife K1CN and N1EBL are in the Bahamas and signing C6AMM and C6AWW from now until the 2nd of March. Operation is from Harbour Island, which counts as Islands on the Air number NA-001. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HAM RADIO SEARCH AND RESCUE

And finally this week, ham radio played a big role during a simulated emergency that takes place in a somewhat unusual setting and at an unusual time. From Birmingham, Alabama, Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, reports:

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Most emergency drills take place during the day, maybe in a parking lot or open field. But volunteers in Alabama put on their jackets and hiking gear and grabbed their flashlights for an exercise near Birmingham February 8th. The setting: Oak Mountain State Park, Alabama's largest park with 60-thousand acres and dozens of miles of trails. Members of the Vulcan Trail Association practice what they might have to do for real. James Pilman, KA4ZQA, is event coordinator:
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PILMAN
BITE IN This is a search
OUT a couple more
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Pilman assembles teams of experienced hikers teaming with amateur radio operators.
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SOT1 IN Earl
OUT you're goin' out.
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This search takes place at night. With temperatures in the 40s, three teams head out into the wilderness, maintaining a 2 meter contact with a Net Control at the park headquarters. Team members get a briefing on their missing person.
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SOT2 IN There's a gentleman, he's about 28 years old
OUT at the marina
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The sky is full of stars as teams walk up and down trails, looking for evidence of their target.
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SOT4 IN We're starting out on the trail
OUT W4CUE
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After about an hour and a half, one team finds its man and radios back in. The net closes, but only after each team arrives safely back at headquarters. Kenner Morrow is a naturalist with the Park:
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BITE/KEENER IN The value is being able to coordinate
OUT there are any emergencies.
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Ken Moore AB4WL, provided communications for one team. He calls it a rewarding experience.
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BITE/MOORE IN Just bein' able to help
OUT participate and volunteer.
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For Chuck Arthur, KF4SSX, tonight's exercise was his first search and rescue practice:
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BITE/ARTHUR IN To me as an amateur
OUT into ham radio
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In the past, these hikers and hams have helped search for missing adults and children during real emergencies, sometimes dealing with extreme cold and the hazards of rugged terrain at night. Tonight's drill went just about flawlessly. The people who took part in this event know they might get called again for real -- this night in the cold wilderness has helped them to be a little better prepared.

From Oak Mountain State Park, Alabama, I’m David Black , KB4KCH, for The Amateur Radio Newsline.

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David says that the trail group usually holds two lost hiker searches every year. (KB4KCH, ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). More information on contacting us is available at our only official website located at www.arnewsline.org.

Before we go a reminder from the ARRL that the deadline for nominations for the Hiram Percy Maxim Award is March 31st. Nominees must be age 21 or younger and hold a valid Amateur Radio license. The winner will receive a $1000 check. Full details are on the web at www.arrl.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

363. Re: Software - Text to CW ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-27 00:06:16 UTC
From: Jerry <jerryaa@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <YpVe8.13828$lx4.1795646616@newssvr17.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4748

Try WinMorse
http://www.qsl.net/kt4av/winmorse/
"Pete Holden" <peholden@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:ogde8.4389$9o.45186@sccrnsc02...
> Does anyone know where I can download software which will generate code at
a
> speed I specify from a text file. In other words, from a paragraph or two
> of text that I paste in from the clipboard.
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> Thanks, Pete KA�TZK
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364. Re: Software - Text to CW ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-27 00:34:00 UTC
From: aaa@nu-ware.com
Message-ID: <ba2ef257.0202261634.2663a14a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4749

"KC8PMX" <kc8pmx@NOSPAMdiamondcs.net> wrote in message
news:<kAqe8.2940$eI1.759330@monger.newsread.com>...
> Try searching for a program called Numorse. I think the site is something
> like www.Nuware.org or www.Nuware.com or something along these lines.
It is:

http://www.Nu-Ware.com

73 Tony Lacy, G4AUD
aaa@nu-ware.com

365. Re: Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-27 02:15:06 UTC
From: ve7agw <ve7agw@shaw.ca>
Message-ID: <3C7C411F.6040904@shaw.ca>
Source record: 4650
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

www.rac.ca should get what you are looking for.

ScanMan wrote:

> I am just wondering if there is a place on the net where, I might be able to
> get a list of Canadian Amateur Radio email addresses. I know that it goes
> like callsign@rac.ca
>
> Is there anywhere I can get a list of these.
>
> also, American might be nice too, but for now I am just looking at Canadian
>
> Thanks,
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> ---
> Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
> Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
> Version: 6.0.325 / Virus Database: 182 - Release Date: 2/20/2002
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366. Re: Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-27 02:52:33 UTC
From: ScanMan <MyScannerIsOn@MyPlace.com>
Message-ID: <RRXe8.4913$jL.1205@news1.bloor.is>
Source record: 4651
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Tried that, but that didn't work out. It did in a sense, but not quite what
I was looking for.

Thanks, for your help.

"ve7agw" <ve7agw@shaw.ca> wrote in message news:3C7C411F.6040904@shaw.ca...
> www.rac.ca should get what you are looking for.
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Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
Version: 6.0.325 / Virus Database: 182 - Release Date: 2/19/2002

367. Re: Software - Text to CW ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-02-28 14:43:26 UTC
From: KC8PMX <kc8pmx@NOSPAMdiamondcs.net>
Message-ID: <imrf8.28$Gc.19279@monger.newsread.com>
Source record: 4652

Well... I was kinda close... but thanks for the clarification.

"Tony Lacy" <aaa@nu-ware.com> wrote in message
news:ba2ef257.0202261634.2663a14a@posting.google.com...
> "KC8PMX" <kc8pmx@NOSPAMdiamondcs.net> wrote in message
news:<kAqe8.2940$eI1.759330@monger.newsread.com>...
> > Try searching for a program called Numorse. I think the site is
something
> > like www.Nuware.org or www.Nuware.com or something along these lines.
> It is:
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> http://www.Nu-Ware.com
>
> 73 Tony Lacy, G4AUD
> aaa@nu-ware.com

368. Re: Amateur Radio Email address list

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 05:09:23 UTC
From: burt@burtwizeman.com
Message-ID: <72Ef8.58893$B21.15180991@news1.rdc1.fl.home.com>
Source record: 4653
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Scanman or Spam Man?

369. Re: Roger...new call...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 11:54:41 UTC
From: AB8MQ <kc8jbo@alt.net>
Message-ID: <a5nuja$eg5$2@dosa.alt.net>
Source record: 4654
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,alt.cocksucker.lloyd.davies,rec.radio.amateur,misc

"Loose as a Goose Catamite " <YeahIcuntlapMomma@anon.com> wrote in message news:a5n79r$e3b$0@dosa.alt.net...
> The call is different, [Whaaaaaaaaaaaaahhhhh!!!!]

And you still are too chickenshit to give yours. And I hear the only way you can get a woddy is hearing filth, that's because when your daddy sodomized you he whispered it in your dumbo ears.

[followups set..better start taking the flames to flame_fest from now on, if you want me to answer them, COWARD]
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73 de Roger /AB8MQ

370. INTERNET SCAM Richard Stacy Garner

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 14:58:03 UTC
From: k5joe@k5joe.com
Message-ID: <5f1b307f.0203010658.4b262977@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4655
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

A PERSON WITH THE EMAIL KC8LYG@HOTVOICE.COM IS RUNNING A SCAM ON THE
SWAP PAGES. HE SAYS THAT HE IS MOVING TO A NEW HOME IN FINDLAY, OHIO
AND TO MAIL HIM HIS PAYMENT THERE TO 16OO SHERRY ST. FINDLAY, OHIO.
HE SAYS HIS NAME IN RICHARD STACY GARNER. I HAVE REPORTED HIM TO THE
FBI INTERNET FRAUD DIVISION AND THE UNITED STATES POSTAL INSPECTORS,
AND THE FINDLAY OHIO POLICE. ANYONE THAT HAS BEEN SCAMMED BY THIS GUY,
SEND ME YOUR DEALINGS WITH HIM VIA EMAIL AND I WILL UPLOAD IT TO THE
FBI. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL FBI OR GO TO THE INTERNET FRAUD WEBPAGE
AND REPORT THIS GUY, LINK: http://www.ifccfbi.gov/contactus.asp CALL
THE US POSTAL INSPECTOR ALSO
THE MORE PEOPLE WHO REPORT THIS GUY, THE BETTER CHANCE THE FBI WILL
ACT ON THIS SCAM. I CALLED THE REAL HAM IN NORTH LARANCE OHIO AND HE
SAID HE DID NOT KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THIS. HIS NAME IS RICHARD SCOTT
GARNER. DO NOT LET THIS SCAMMER GET BY WITH THIS.
K5JOE

371. Re: Software - Text to CW ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 16:16:01 UTC
From: aaa@nu-ware.com
Message-ID: <ba2ef257.0203010816.a9389e0@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4656

"Jerry" <jerryaa@prodigy.net> wrote in message
news:<YpVe8.13828$Ix4.1795646616@newssvr17.news.prodigy.com>...
> Try WinMorse
> http://www.qsl.net/kt4av/winmorse/
> "Pete Holden" <peholden@attbi.com> wrote in message
> news:ogde8.4389$9o.45186@sccrnsc02...
> > Does anyone know where I can download software which will generate code at
> a
> > speed I specify from a text file. In other words, from a paragraph or two
> > of text that I paste in from the clipboard.
> >
> > Thanks, Pete KAï¿½TZK
> >
NuMorse and NuMorse Professional will accept pasted text and text from files.

Tony Lacy, G4AUD
aaa@Nu-Ware.com
http://www.Nu-Ware.com

372. HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 17:52:57 UTC
From: JEEPMON <JEEPMON@HOTMAIL.COM>
Message-ID: <ZdPf8.168$ns.7290@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4657
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I am looking for a 2m/440MHz/1.2GHz BASE radio that has its own power supply built-in.
What are my choices?
Are there any of these that have a built in antenna tuner?

373. 5w HTs - your comments please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 18:40:39 UTC
From: usbcpdx@my-deja.com
Message-ID: <c684b091.0203011040.414852@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4658

I'm studying now and wish to start saving so when I pass, I can Acquire Toys. Especially interested in a 2m HT which also does other bands.

1) Seems to me there may be design compromises in multiband rigs. What are your experiences w/ 5w HTs? Especially interested in Yaesu FT-50RDHP, Yaesu VX-5R, Kenwood TH-F6A & TH-D7A(G). Packet data is a priority.

374. 5w HT in CONUS: Which is more useful, 6m or 220mHz?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 18:41:43 UTC
From: usbcpdx@my-deja.com
Message-ID: <c684b091.0203011041.2875a58@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4659

For emergency ops in CONUS, which is more useful: 6m or 220mHz? I've gotten a few suggestions from the local ARC amateurs, but wish a broader sample. I'm in OR but expect in a year or so to be qualified for ARC DSHR missions.

Thank you for your kind assistance in advance. I don't read email sent to the posting address; please only reply on USENET.

375. TNC in a Springboard module for PalmOS Handspring Visor handheld computers ShineMicro SM2496

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 18:48:12 UTC
From: usbcpdx@my-deja.com
Message-ID: <c684b091.0203011048.11bcc883@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4660

Since I'm an IT guy, Packet interests me; especially since all of our EOCs in my area have packet rigs. I'm looking at 5w HT rigs with TNC built in to connect to my existing PalmOS handheld, and would appreciate suggestions on What To Buy.

I'm also looking at a TNC in a Springboard module to plug into a Visor handheld from http://www.shinemicro.com/SM2496TNCpage.htm

Has anyone here used a PalmOS handheld for packet data?

Which apps have you used?

Thank you for your kind assistance in advance. I don't read email sent to the posting address; please only reply on USENET.

376. Re: 5w HT in CONUS: Which is more useful, 6m or 220mHz?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-01 23:01:01 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0203011501.7d14d4bb@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4661

usbcpdx@my-deja.com (John Bartley) wrote in message
news:<c684b091.0203011041.2875a58@posting.google.com>...
> For emergency ops in CONUS, which is more useful: 6m or 220mHz? I've
> gotten a few suggestions from the local ARC amateurs, but wish a
> broader sample. I'm in OR but expect in a year or so to be qualified
> for ARC DSHR missions.
>
> Thank you for your kind assistance in advance. I don't read email sent
> to the posting address; please only reply on USENET.

Neither really. There's not that many hams on either one of those
bands in comparison to 2m or 70cm. But I don't know what your purposes
are. A quiet "get away from the crowd" freq, yes maybe. But if you
want to reach the highest number of hams in the area, I'd think 2m
would be the best route. 70 cm second choice. MK

377. Re: HELP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-02 04:48:55 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C8059B5.1D3AA3E@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4662
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

i dont believe you will find any anymore with a built in power supply and a tuner at these freqs are worthless there is so much signal loss that at 1.2gig no signal would even get to the antenna honestly i dont know why anyone would want a tuner on VHF and above the antennas are so small and most cover the entire band anyways what do you need to tune
i think the only radios out thart cover all 3 bands are the kenwood TS790 and the icom 910 or ic970
good luck

JEEPMON wrote:

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> built-in.
> What are my choices?
> Are there any of these that have a built in antenna tuner?

378. Re: 5w HTs - your comments please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-02 04:54:30 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C805B04.3D9FC295@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4663

your right multiband radios are comprimises there front ends are very
wide open and can pick up lots of intermod
as for packet with 5 watts i wouldnt waste my time unless you are within
20 miles of a BBS and you put up a good gain antenna
unless you really need the portability of an HT just get a dual band
mobile radio and a power supply the radio will have about 50 watts which
will be able to hit anything you can hear
as for your other post on which is better 6 or 220 it all depends on
your area some places have a lot of activity on 220 others like down
here in central florida there is hardly any
same with 6 the only neat thing about 6 is some times the band opens and
you can work DX which can be a blast

John Bartley wrote:

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> bands.
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> What are your experiences w/ 5w HTs? Especially interested in Yaesu
> FT-50RDHP, Yaesu VX-5R, Kenwood TH-F6A & TH-D7A(G). Packet data is a
> priority.

379. Re: 5w HT in CONUS: Which is more useful, 6m or 220mHz?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-02 14:56:29 UTC
From: kf6vyh@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020302095629.21797.00001074@mb-cc.aol.com>
Source record: 4664

As far as usefullness. 6 meters with only 5 watts of is not going to do much, unless you can see a 6 meter repeater. As far as 220, unless there is a repeater in your area 220 will not be that much better. If you are in an area with lots of large hills and mountains, you can forget about simplex. Ask the local hams, not knowing your area it is hard to say. I live in an area with lots of hills, even a small hill can be a problem on simplex. If you are going to operate from your car get a real radio with a real antenna and leave save the HT for when you are on foot.

73
John

380. Ham operations in Canada

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-02 15:15:34 UTC
From: gdsnkl@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <3c80ead5.40725669@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4665

I am planning a trip to Canada (Ontario mostly) this next summer. Our event is about 2.5 hours NE of Toronto.

I am a licensed ham in the US. My understanding is that the US and Canada have a reciprocal agreement that simplifies operations for a ham from one country who is traveling in the other one.

Questions:

What kind of repeater coverage in the area, 2M or 70cm?

How active are local ham clubs?

Any other thoughts for HT or mobile operations?

TIA,
Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

381. Re: Ham operations in Canada

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-02 20:25:11 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3C813527.6E252F96@rac.ca>
Source record: 4666

Hi Gary
I am located about 1.5 hours east of Toronto what area are you headed for
?
Your description sounds like it's near Algonquin Park.
The Toronto area has lots of repeaters both 440 and 2m.
If you can give me a location name I can send specific info.
My web page has some info Ontario repeaters in General at
http://www.qsl.net/va3pkh/repeater.html
http://www.qsl.net/va3pkh/70cm.html
Hugh VE3AYR has a great pocket guide available at
http://www.bigwave.ca/~janus/hrm/ord/index.html
Contact me direct at va3pkh@rac.ca if you need more info.

73
Peter
VA3PKH

"Gary S." wrote:

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>
> TIA,
> Happy trails,
> Gary (net.yogi.bear)
> --
> at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence
>
> Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
> Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

382. Best Prices for Icom IC-706MKIIG??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-03 20:32:49 UTC
From: svshootingstar@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <51e176ab.0203031232.943c6c9@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4667
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Does anyone have a good source for new Icom radio's at the best prices. I'm looking to by a new Icom IC-706MKIIG. Thanks.

Mark
S/V Shooting Star

383. Boom Microphone Recommendation

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-03 23:54:06 UTC
From: "Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH" <wb4zoh@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <3C82B61E.E8056794@arrl.net>
Source record: 4668
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,alt.ham-radio

I would like to use a earpiece/boom microphone with my Icom HT. I've tried the Workman "Mini-Boom" mic and it's small boom length is unsatisfactory. Any suggestions?
73's
--
Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH

384. Re: Software - Text to CW ??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-04 01:17:04 UTC
From: Nate Bargmann <n0nb@networksplus.net>
Message-ID: <pan.2002.03.03.19.16.47.674216.3444@networksplus.net>
Source record: 4669

On Sun, 24 Feb 2002 15:52:21 -0600, Pete Holden wrote:

> Does anyone know where I can download software which will generate code
> at a speed I specify from a text file. In other words, from a paragraph
> or two of text that I paste in from the clipboard.
>
> Thanks, Pete KAï¿½TZK

Should anyone have a bend for Linux, I found a project at
http://sf.net/projects/cwtext that will read text from STDIN and generate
Morse to STDOUT in raw PCM. I cleaned up the timing and mailed the
modified files to the original author (the source is GPL) and I've not
heard anything back.

If anyone wants to play with it, grab the 0.91 tarball from the above
link and I'll be glad to supply my diffs. Right now its very immature as
it uses a few command line options and corresponding constants in the
source to set the character speed and word spacing. Also, the PCM output
is quite harsh and it would be nice if the audio wave were damped to some
degree.

73, de Nate >>

385. Re: Best Prices for Icom IC-706MKIIG??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-04 05:09:16 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C830144.E2F53CB1@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4670
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

check texastowers
http://www.texastowers.com
they have it for under $900

Mark Reichow wrote:

> Does anyone have a good source for new Icom radio's at the best
> prices. I'm looking to by a new Icom IC-706MKIIG. Thanks.
>
> Mark
> S/V Shooting Star

386. Re: Best Prices for Icom IC-706MKIIG??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-04 11:46:36 UTC
From: Jerry <jerryaa@prodigy.net>
Message-ID: <w8Jg8.21043$Qn4.3068802220@newssvr15.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4671
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

HRO has it for under $900 and free shipping UPS
http://www.hamradio.com/

387. Re: Boom Microphone Recommendation

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-04 15:37:54 UTC
From: Wayne Faris <wfaris@inebraska.com>
Message-ID: <3C8394D1.CE662475@inebraska.com>
Source record: 4672
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,alt.ham-radio

Pryme makes a good one. http://www.pryme.com/

Wayne L. Faris, KEï¿½BZ

"Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH" wrote:

> I would like to use a earpiece/boom microphone with my Icom HT. I've
> tried the Workman "Mini-Boom" mic and it's small boom length is
> unsatisfactory. Any suggestions?
> 73's
> --
> Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH

388. Cd Covers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-04 18:25:13 UTC
From: Csn3 <csn3@ukc.ac.uk>
Message-ID: <a60eeabjh1@athena.ukc.ac.uk>
Source record: 4673

Does anyone know where I can find the front and back cd covers for the
following albums? Or recommend a good site?

Lenny Kravitz - Lenny
Prodigy - The fat of the land
Chemical Borthers - Come with us
The Charlie Daniels Band - Homesick Heroes
Brandy - Full moon

Thanks!
I've tried some sites but I need to run a pop-up killer on them.

csn3@ukc.ac.uk

389. Re: 5w HT in CONUS: Which is more useful, 6m or 220mHz?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-05 04:28:04 UTC
From: usbcpdx@my-deja.com
Message-ID: <c684b091.0203042028.72cdd8c6@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4674

kf6vyh@aol.com (Kf6vyh) wrote in message
news:<20020302095629.21797.00001074@mb-cc.aol.com>...

> As far as usefullness. 6 meters with only 5 watts of is not going to do much,
> unless you can see a 6 meter repeater. As far as 220, unless there is a
> repeater in your area 220 will not be that much better.

Precisely the info I was looking for. Thank you.

> If you are in an area
> with lots of large hills and mountains, you can forget about simplex.

Actually, I was asking about ops away from home with ARC.

> Ask the
> local hams, not knowing your area it is hard to say. I live in an area with
> lots of hills, even a small hill can be a problem on simplex. If you are going
> to operate from your car get a real radio with a real antenna and leave save
> the HT for when you are on foot.

Aha! A disconnect, here: I don't have a car and am disinclined to get
one again. It the ARC wants to send me somewhere, I will gladly use
their rental, though.

390. Aprspoint update

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-05 04:49:44 UTC
From: Michael <hkc2001@pacbell.net>
Message-ID: <I7Yg8.251$qx2.153845855@newssvr21.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4675

There is a major update of version 1.2 of aprspoint. Visit
http://www.aprspoint.com/ to download the latest version. Thanks.

391. looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-05 19:58:40 UTC
From: MD <mdxxx@cox.net>
Message-ID: <Qr9h8.327$I3.16726@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4676
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

I have found tons of DIALUP programs that will set your PC clock but I haven't found any that will work through a network, DSL or cable modem.

Anyone have such a program?

73

392. Re: looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-05 20:35:32 UTC
From: Mark Little <mark@brigadoon.apana.org.au>
Message-ID: <a7a36a.lnj.ln@chuckie.apana.org.au>
Source record: 4678
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

I use "AboutTime" (with my PC). It provides both a time client and time
server.

Are you sure that the other programs only work with dial-up? That seems
rather odd to me since I doubt there are too many places that you can
directly dial into for the time. I'd suggest that it's probably more likely
that the computer is attempting to establish a connection to the internet
when they want to read the time. This would be an action of Windows
(assuming you are using Windows), rather than the time setting program
itself.

regards,
Mark

"MD" <mdxxx@cox.net> wrote in message
news:Qr9h8.327$I3.16726@news2.east.cox.net...
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> haven't found any that will work through a network, DSL or cable modem.
>
> Anyone have such a program?
>
> 73
>
>

393. Re: looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-05 20:40:37 UTC
From: Peter O <peter.o@lennik.org>
Message-ID: <3C852D45.401FF408@lennik.org>
Source record: 4677
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Have you tried
Dimension 4 yet ?

http://www.thinkman.com/dimension4/

MD wrote:
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> haven't found any that will work through a network, DSL or cable modem.
>
> Anyone have such a program?
>
> 73

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Peter O
http://www.lennik.org

Fascinating is a word I use for the unexpected.
-- Spock, "The Squire of Gothos", stardate 2124.5

394. Re: looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-05 21:03:49 UTC
From: me <me@nowwhere.com>
Message-ID: <3C8532B5.BDD8121C@nowwhere.com>
Source record: 4679
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

MD wrote:

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> haven't found any that will work through a network, DSL or cable modem.
>
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>
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goto tucows.com. search for tardis. it works great

kd5foy

395. How can I turn up the transmitted audio on an Icom IC-2E ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-06 09:48:59 UTC
From: Richard Parsons - M3ECW <rwparsons@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <a64oma$6si$1@helle.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4680

Hello,

I have been getting reports telling me that my transmitted audio is very quiet, even when I talk very close to my microphone.

I am using an Icom IC-2E handheld radio.

Does anyone have a schematic / circuit diagram for this radio, that I could have a copy of ?

Thanks!

Richard Parsons

M3ECW

396. Grounding equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-07 20:46:15 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0203071246.27dd74aa@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4681

As I get ready to move into a new QTH, I'd like to try to get everything grounded, to help reduce the chance of RFI to my neighbors. I am considering buying something off of Ebay that says it's a "HEAVY DUTY GROUND BUSS WITH 27 CONNECTIONS" and it's at http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1337605421. Can anyone tell me if something like this is really useful? From what I've read at the ARRL website on grounding, it's important to ground everything and this might be a good solution.

397. Re: Grounding equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-07 21:22:51 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3c87d888.62365103@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4682

Single point grounding to a central ground bus is important, and worth doing to avoid ground loops, RFI, etc.

However the item advertised on Ebay looks like the typical bus that's inside a circuit breaker box. Nothing wrong with it, but don't pay a lot of money for it...chances are you go to a Home Depot or other large hardware store and in the electrical department you will find circuit breaker boxes which contain the same hardware...and which you might be able to buy separately...or I guess you could use a new circuit breaker box as your centralized ground.

For best results, not to mention safety, be sure you connect your central ground system to a good earth ground using really heavy guage copper wire.

Good luck & 73
DT

On 7 Mar 2002 12:46:15 -0800, vhfradiobuff@aol.com (vhfradiobuff) wrote:

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>everything grounded, to help reduce the chance of RFI to my neighbors.
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>anyone tell me if something like this is really useful? From what I've
>read at the ARRL website on grounding, it's important to ground
>everything and this might be a good solution.

398. Re: Grounding equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 04:13:12 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0203072013.3db6eb03@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4683

vhfradiobuff@aol.com (vhfradiobuff) wrote in message
news:<5e5fccab.0203071246.27dd74aa@posting.google.com>...
> As I get ready to move into a new QTH, I'd like to try to get
> everything grounded, to help reduce the chance of RFI to my neighbors.

Grounding will have no effect on any RFI to your neighbors. Any
problems they will have at that distance will be from fundimental
overload. The distance from your antenna to them, and decoupling of
your feedlines to avoid high levels of rf on the shield of the coax is
what you want to be thinking about. The decoupling of the lines will
have more effect on your house than to your neighbors. The distance of
the antenna will have more effect to them. They will need tight rf
connections themselves if they use cable , etc. MK

399. Re: Movies involving amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 10:41:57 UTC
From: Wayne <wayneleake@wayneleake.net>
Message-ID: <u8h5blbulp6lce@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4684
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Now I recall that particular movie.
It involved a Ham operator that the by made friends with, and after the Ham
died, I think, the boy tried using the equipment.
But it's been a number of years since I saw that one.

--
Wayne. <|:^)>
KG6KFE
http://www.wayneleake.net

<keebird@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:s5patto26gos8jb08d2sdhh788jjsbasmq@4ax.com...
> Try here or seach the web...
>
>
http://classicfilm.about.com/gi/dynamic/offsite.htm?site=http://us.imdb.com/
Title%3FTestament%2B%281983%29
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> 73
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> KJ6AH
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> On Tue, 23 Oct 2001 04:48:41 GMT, cathexis@your.haterols.com
> (Reticulum) wrote:
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> >On Tue, 23 Oct 2001 03:15:11 GMT, "keebird@hotmail.com"
<keebird@hotmail.com>
> >wrote:
> >
> >>See if you can rent a movie called Testament. I saw it in the theater
> >>during the 1980's. It's about life in the US after a nuclear strike
> >>and the main character is a little boy that uses a ham radio to talk
> >>to people outside his city.
> >>
> >>73's,
> >>
> >>KJ6AH
> >>
> >
> > that's a new one on me. I thought I'd seen all the
> >Soyleny Green/Omega Man/ Dawn of the Dead

> >movies out there. any other facts??
> > Reticulum
> >
> >Remove "your.hat" when replying via e-mail
>

400. Re: Movies involving amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 10:55:33 UTC
From: Wayne <wayneleake@wayneleake.net>
Message-ID: <u8h656ecl0u5c0@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4685
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Let's try Mickey Rooney, not Andy Rooney...

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Wayne. <|:^)>
KG6KFE
http://www.wayneleake.net

"Mike Silva" <mjsilva697@earthlink.net> wrote in message
news:27085883.0110292052.15515b85@posting.google.com...
> "Rabbit Music" <illcryinstead@home.com> wrote in message
news:<BBrA7.50833$YL3.12876309@news3.rdc1.on.home.com>...
> > Hello. I was wondering if anybody might be able to recommend some good
> > movies that somehow involve ham radio. I've seen Frequency. Are there
any
> > others?
> >
> > Thanks in advance!
> >
> > Nick
>
> I've heard there's a late '30s/early '40s movie titled something like
> "Here is Your Hobby: Ham Radio" or "This is Your Hobby: Ham Radio" or
> somesuch. Supposedly it's been on TCM. There's also an Andy Rooney
> movie where he's a ham (the second Boy's Town movie?), and one of the
> Nancy Drew movies has Nancy's boy friend hamming it up with a full
> rack (of radio equipment...) Not to mention that Bonita Granville was
> a cutie...
>
> 73,
> Mike, KK6GM

401. Re: Movies involving amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 10:57:40 UTC
From: Wayne <wayneleake@wayneleake.net>
Message-ID: <u8h694e5agdodf@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4686
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Actually, the HW101 was a pretty decent unit.

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Wayne. <|:^)>
KG6KFE
http://www.wayneleake.net

"Russ Thompson" <russthom@nospam.home.com> wrote in message
news:wPZJ7.104052$pb4.58262430@news2.rdc2.tx.home.com...
> When I was a novice (circa 1971) there was a movie about an armored car
> company heist in New York. Living next to the company was a young teen
male
> in a wheel chair that called for help on his HW-101. That is all I
remember
> about the movie, and can't remember the name. Sure would like to see the
> movie again. At 15, I thought the HW-101 was the cat's meow!
>
> DE KX5G
>
>

402. Re: Movies involving amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 13:55:08 UTC
From: AB8MQ <kc8jbo@alt.net>
Message-ID: <a6aj6n$p0$0@pita.alt.net>
Source record: 4687
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"Frequency" and "Contact" also involved amateur radio.

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73 de Roger /AB8MQ
"Wayne" <wayneleake@wayneleake.net> wrote in message
news:u8h5blbulp6lce@corp.supernews.com...
> Now I recall that particular movie.
> It involved a Ham operator that the by made friends with, and after the
Ham
> died, I think, the boy tried using the equipment.
> But it's been a number of years since I saw that one.
>
> --
> Wayne. <|:^)>
> KG6KFE
> http://www.wayneleake.net
>
> <keebird@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:s5patto26gos8jb08d2sdhh788jjsbasmq@4ax.com...
> > Try here or seach the web...
> >
> >
>
http://classicfilm.about.com/gi/dynamic/offsite.htm?site=http://us.imdb.com/
> Title%3FTestament%2B%281983%29
> >
> > 73
> >
> > KJ6AH
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> > On Tue, 23 Oct 2001 04:48:41 GMT, cathexis@your.haterols.com
> > (Reticulum) wrote:
> >
> > >On Tue, 23 Oct 2001 03:15:11 GMT, "keebird@hotmail.com"
> <keebird@hotmail.com>
> > >wrote:
> > >
> > >>See if you can rent a movie called Testament. I saw it in the theater
> > >>during the 1980's. It's about life in the US after a nuclear strike
> > >>and the main character is a little boy that uses a ham radio to talk
> > >>to people outside his city.

> > >>
> > >>73's,
> > >>
> > >>KJ6AH
> > >>
> > >
> > > that's a new one on me. I thought I'd seen all the
> > >Soyleny Green/Omega Man/ Dawn of the Dead
> > >movies out there. any other facts??
> > > Reticulum
> > >
> > >Remove "your.hat" when replying via e-mail
> >
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403. Re: looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 22:22:33 UTC
From: Christopher Maness <chris@ns2.internetinsite.com>
Message-ID: <JQai8.1439$KK5.45@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4688
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Check out http://www.atomtime.com/

In rec.radio.amateur MD <mdxxx@cox.net> wrote:
> I have found tons of DIALUP programs that will set your PC clock but I
> haven't found any that will work through a network, DSL or cable modem.
>
> Anyone have such a program?
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> 73
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spirit who reveals himself in the slight details we are able to perceive
with our frail and feeble mind.
-- Albert Einstein

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404. Re: Opinions wanted: 2m radio for packet?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 22:31:33 UTC
From: Christopher Maness <chris@ns2.internetinsite.com>
Message-ID: <9Zai8.1468$KK5.899@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4689

Probably the best I have seen is the Yaesu 1500M. It retails for only
$150, and it does 9600 Baud too. I am using one for packet now.

VHFRadioBuff <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote:
> I am going to be getting into Packet soon and I want to get a decent 2m mobile
> radio to use one both voice and packet in the shack. From what I understand, if
> a radio has a dataport on it, I don't need a special cord going to the
> microphone plug. If this is true, this is the type of radio I want. Can anyone
> recommend a radio for me?
> =-
> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
> http://edfas.tripod.com

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405. Test

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-08 22:35:35 UTC
From: Christopher Maness <chris@ns2.internetinsite.com>
Message-ID: <X0bi8.1480$KK5.420@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4690

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test

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406. 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-09 14:51:52 UTC
From: JEEPMON <JEEPMON@HOTMAIL.COM>
Message-ID: <ckpi8.7110$702.9635@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4691
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I need help picking the best 6 meter vertical antenna.
I think I have narrowed it down to:
Hy-Gain V-6R
Diamond DP-GH62

Has anyone ever used these two antennas and if so wich are the best in
radiation, gain, and quality.

THANX!

407. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-09 15:16:20 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@charter.net>
Message-ID: <u8ka29qmjncge0@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4692
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I tell ya what. I'm sure the Hy-Gain and the Diamond do is very nice job. I used a Lakeview Colinear several years ago on 6, with VERY good results. It is very inexpensive too! Non of these do as well as a good beam or quad, but for the money, the Lakeview did an excellent job! http://www.hamstick.com/

"JEEPMON" <JEEPMON@HOTMAIL.COM> wrote in message news:ckpi8.7110$702.9635@sccrnsc02...
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>
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> radiation, gain, and quality.
>
> THANX!
>
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>
>

408. All About Ham Radio - SWL Too

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-09 15:23:49 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3C8A290B.5498A075@amsat.org>
Source record: 4693

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At URL:
http://ac6v.com/

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73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!

409. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-09 19:13:31 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C8A5EBA.D26F31E8@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4694
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

hey jeep
i used a mosley diplomat for 6 meters its a 5/8s wave vertical with a
ground plane under it i had one at 60 feet and it was nearly only a DB or
so off what my 5 ele yagi was that was at 50 feet
i think they still make them but when buying from them be paitent they
take a long time to get things from
http://www.mosley-electronics.com

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> Diamond DP-GH62
>
> Has anyone ever used these two antennas and if so wich are the best in
> radiation, gain, and quality.
>
> THANX!

410. Hallicrafters FP"M 300 manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-10 06:28:32 UTC
From: Jay Tuttle <tuttlej3@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <k2Di8.10885$702.10490@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4695

I need a copy of manual for a hallicrafters FPM 300 transciever. I also need to know how to connect up power connectors for 12 volts dc and 120 volts ac,

If you can provide info please email me at tuttlej2@attbi.com

Thank You
Jay Tuttle
73's

411. Re: looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-10 13:31:04 UTC
From: Lup <dj7sw@kcag.de>
Message-ID: <3C8B6018.4AD79D94@kcag.de>
Source record: 4696
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Try DXMON writen by VE3SUN . Download fm:

http://www.benlo.com/dxmon.html

It is mainly a very clever and sophisticated DX-Cluster Monitor.
Exact time here is needed to calculate the iaru www bacon system maps.

55 de Lup

Christopher Maness schrieb:

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> --

412. I Buy Radios - HF VHF/UHF Mobiles, Amps

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-10 17:20:22 UTC
From: Chuck Costa <cvc@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <qBMi8.1699$sp4.1327163658@newssvr14.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4697
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

Looking for clean Amateur Radio Equipment.

I Buy all Kinds of Late Model Transceivers, Base & Mobile, Amplifiers and Accessories (no antennas).

Estate Sales my specialty, no lot too big or too small.

Quick Cash for any kind of clean Amateur Radio Gear in Working Condition.

Send me a list of what you have and what you want for it and I will give you a response within 24 hours.

My E-Bay References can be viewed under my user name: cvc@bigfoot.com

Thanks for your Consideration

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Chuck Costa - K6CVC
K6CVC@bigfoot.com

413. Re: looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-10 17:59:59 UTC
From: me@privacy.net
Message-ID: <3C8B9F1F.4F11812B@privacy.net>
Source record: 4698
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

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-----BEGIN PGP SIGNED MESSAGE-----
Hash: SHA1

> In rec.radio.amateur MD <mdxxx@cox.net> wrote:
> I have found tons of DIALUP programs that will set your PC clock
> but I haven't found any that will work through a network, DSL or
> cable modem.
>
> Anyone have such a program?
>
> 73

You might want to use NetLab:
http://www.softpile.com/Utilities/Network/Review_05239_index.html

-----BEGIN PGP SIGNATURE-----
Version: PGPfreeware 7.0.3 for non-commercial use <http://www.pgp.com>

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pMLbauMUPmK7hsv46r8GeJLD
=/RFT
-----END PGP SIGNATURE-----
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414. Website Update de ON1OE special SSTV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-10 21:38:31 UTC
From: ON1OE <on1oe@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3c8bd304$3$263$ba620e4c@news.skynet.be>
Source record: 4699

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Hello OM,

New update from my website.

http://www.on1oe.tk

Thanks for your visite.

Regards,
Patrick ON1OE
(qrv on iLink)
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415. reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-10 23:35:12 UTC
From: eapoe@excite.com
Message-ID: <13f2ebf3.0203101535.2673e73f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4600

i live in central new york city (manhattan) and like to record off local fm stations, particularly small and college stations. trouble is i rarely get a clean signal. it seems to depend mostly on the weather, even for stations only 1=2 miles away. i have relatively low=end components, including a $75 Terk powered antenna. i wonder if better equipment would help. or could it be the jumble of wires connecting everything is creating interference? i would appreciate any suggestions. milt

416. Re: Opinions wanted: 2m radio for packet?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-10 23:40:44 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020310184044.25084.00000925@mb-fe.aol.com>
Source record: 4601

>Probably the best I have seen is the Yaesu 1500M. It retails for only
>$150, and it does 9600 Baud too. I am using one for packet now.
>

Thanks for the reply. Since I originally posted that message, I picked one up
and will have it set up for packet by the end of April.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

417. WTB: HBR receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-11 00:55:06 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020310195506.11596.00000799@mb-cf.aol.com>
Source record: 4602

Looking for a home brew HBR receiver working or non working-even partially built ok. This was a home brew project receiver from the 60s. Thanks-Lew KlNDV

418. ARNewsline 1282 - March 8 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-11 03:56:11 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020310225611.24765.00001081@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 4603

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1282 – March 8, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1282 with a release date of
Friday, March 8th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

The Dayton Hamvention announces the EMMY AND OSCARS of Amateur Radio. We have the winners on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1282 coming your war right now.

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HAMVENTION 2002: AWARD WINNERS NAMED

The Dayton Hamvention has named Radio Amateur Information Network founder Alanson “Hap” Holly, KC9RP, as its 2002 Radio Amateur of the Year. Holly received the news of his selection on Thursday evening February 28th in a phone call from Cathi Hoskins, N8ZCQ, who chairs the Hamvention Awards and Banquet Committee. KC9RP tells Amateur Radio Newsline that he was completely taken by surprise:

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Holly KC9RP: “I was absolutely stunned! In fact, all I could say was me? I mean seriously, I was just absolutely floored.”
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Holly, lives in Des Plaines Illinois has been licensed since 1965. He began his ham radio informational programming career in 1984 on a local Chicago Area repeater. This eventually lead him to become founder, moderator and guiding light of a weekly amateur radio audio feature magazine known as the RAIN Report.

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Sample audio from Rain Report.
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RAIN programming is distributed to hundreds of repeaters across the country via a telephone dial-up line, the rainreport.com website, by a subscription tape service and broadcast over W-A-Zero-R-C-R's weekly 160 meter informational net.

But that’s is only a small part of the Hap Holly story. Originally licensed in Escondido California at age 14, Holly who has been blind since age 7 served as a phone-patch station and net control for the famed WESTCARS traffic net until 1970. He then headed off to Principia College in Illinois and from 1970 to graduation in 1974, ran phone patches and kept radio schedules for many of

his fellow students.

Holly graduated Principia with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology, and soon found himself in the Chicago area. There, he sought out world-class jazz accordionist Leon Sash, to pursue further training in music. As a professional keyboard player, Holly’s diverse repertoire of American music of the past six decades has made him a popular choice in the Chicago area.

Hap met his wife-to-be while he was teaching a class in non-visual perception to high school students at a summer camp in Buena Vista, Colorado. The two were married in August of 1976. Stephanie, who is sighted, received her ham ticket and KA9WKD callsign in 1986.

Over the years, Hap Holly has written articles for the Spec-Com Journal, Radio Scan Magazine and occasionally reports for us here on the Amateur Radio Newsline. Holly is also a common sight at the Dayton Hamvention, taping forums which are then incorporated throughout the year into his RAIN Reports. And since 1975 KC9RP has been an honored member of the Des Plaines Lions Club. He has also been a member of the Des Plaines Toastmasters since 1976. He and Stephanie are also active with Des Plaines Illinois Emergency Medical Alert system.

Named as this years Hamvention Technical Excellence award winner is Alan Waller, K3TKJ, of Laurel, Delaware. Waller was chosen for his work that lead to the interfacing the Internet to Amateur Radio.

First licensed in 1961, Waller combined his decades-long love for Amateur Radio and a burgeoning interest in the then-new Internet to design and manage the www.qsl.net and www.qth.net web sites. That was back in 1993. Since that time, Alan Waller's web sites have come to serve the needs of tens of thousands of ham radio operators worldwide by providing a vast technical reference platform, an electronic mail service, web page hosting services, and links to thousands of other ham radio related sites. And in the true spirit of the Amateur Radio, Waller's initial work utilized leading edge experimentation to see what could be done with the technology then available. This has developed into a mature, reliable service to the world wide ham radio community.

Rounding out this seasons winners are a pair of pair of space exploring hams who have been named as co-recipients of the 2002 Hamvention Special Achievement Award. Former astronauts Owen Garriott, W5LFL, and Tony England, W0ORE, are being honored for paving the way for manned ham radio operations from the space shuttles that has made ham radio a permanent part of mans exploration of space.

Owen Gariott, W5LFL was first. On November 28, 1983, Garriott, was launched into space aboard the space ship Columbia for the STS-9 mission. It was the Spacelab 1 mission and Garriott brought along the first Amateur Radio station on a crew-tended space vehicle. It was a simple Motorola hand held transceiver connected to a special antenna designed to fit in the Space Shuttle’s window.

Three days later, W5LFL came on the air and hams across the United States and around the world were witness to a historic radio transmission:

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Owen Garriott W5LFL: “This is W5LFL in Columbia. W5LFL in Columbia orbiting the Earth at an altitude of 135 nautical miles passing over the U.S. West Coast and calling CQ.”
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Among those who heard Owen Garriott's Amateur Radio transmissions from space was Lance Collister, WA1JXN of Frenchtown Montana. Collister, who is now W7GJ, is credited with being the first amateur to work an astronaut in orbit. Take a listen:

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Lance Collister WA1JXN/W7GJ: “W5LFL on Columbia, WA1JXN, W-A-1-Japan - Xray-Norway, WA1JXN Frenchtown Montana standing by.”

Owen Garriott, W5LFL: “Hello W1JXN, WA1JXN, WA1-Juliet-Xray-November. This is W5LFL. You’re our first contact from orbit. WA1JXN, how do you read? Over?”
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The success of Garriott’s mission lead to the development of SAREX -- The Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment. And, over the years, SAREX permitted youngsters in classrooms around the world to speak directly with astronauts in space. But for this to happen, the technology of manned ham radio operations from space had to be enhanced. This aspect of the then new SAREX program fell to the next ham radio operator orbited: Tony England, W0ORE.

W0ORE flew into space on the shuttle Challenger in 1985. It was Mission 51F, Spscelab 2. In addition to the 2 meter FM voice gear, Tony England also had with him the first ever ham television station to go into space. Slow Scan yes, but capable of sending back high resolution images which hams on the ground equipped with SSTV gear could view live or record on a simple audio cassette for later viewing and historical archiving. From space, Tony England described the station he was using:

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Tony England, W0ORE: “Essentially we’ve got a commercial TV camera that anyone could go out to their local radio store ant buy. We feed this into a scan converter built by a commercial outfit and modified by NASA Amateur Radio clubs and this takes a snapshot of the scene and digitizes it and put it in a memory.

Then its sent to a handie-talkie like this. From there we will send it over a wire up to the upper window upstairs and to this antenna when I get it up there in the window. Then it will be transmitted to the ground.

When we get going, we will be able to send color TV images of what we are doing on board as a series of snapshots updated every 10 or 20 seconds. Amateurs anywhere on the ground will be able to receive them, and ones with scan converters will see the pictures.”
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That flight also marked another first. The first ever two way television -- ham radio television -- to and from space.

Tony England went on to flight prove both the improved FM voice and then new SSTV systems. The SSTV was so successful that NASA gave very serious consideration to a permanent installation on all shuttles for back up communications. More important, the early on-orbit operations by Own Garriott W5LFL and Tony England W0ORE made possible the thousands of educational contacts between children in school classrooms and the crews flying in space. First, on board the shuttles, and now as a permanent part of the International Space Station.

Hap Holly KC9RP, Alan Waller K3TKJ, Owen Garriott W5LFL and Tony England W0ORE will receive their honors at the Hamvention Awards Banquet slated for Saturday evening, May 18th at the Nutter Center in Dayton Ohio. Amateur Radio Newsline will be there to bring you this story and all the news about Hamvention 2002. (ARNewsline™ from Dayton Hamvention® news release. Some audio from “Amateur Radio’s Newest Frontier” and “SAREX - The Shuttle Amateur Radio Experiment” video presentations)

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From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Indiana Hamfest Association net serving Indianapolis Indiana.

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RADIO RULES: FCC RESUMES VANITY PROCESSING

Vanity license processing is getting back on tract. According to a Legaue bulletin the FCC now has all outstanding vanity applications filed last October in hand and is ready to resume routine vanity processing. Until recently a single missing vanity application had been holding up a backlog of more than 2000 vanity applications. The FCC credits the ARRL in part with helping to locate applicants and resolving the problem. (ARRL, FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY COMMS SUMMIT

The first ever Amateur Radio Emergency Communications summit was held in Indianapolis last week. Amateur News Weekly’s Jack Parker, W8ISH, reports on the success of this first meeting.

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They came from the Red Cross, Salvation Army, ARES, RACES and even CB-radio’s REACT team. Two dozen representatives of different Amateur Radio emergency communications groups met in a Federal Building training room to find ways of helping local and state emergency management organizations. The summit was organized by Marion County ARES director Mike Palmer, N9FEB. Palmer cited a need to develop better communications and cooperation between the different groups.

Many amateurs wear two or three different hats when it comes to providing public service. Palmer wants to identify those who are willing to help and to better utilize the voice and data communications available in the Marion County Amateur Radio Community. Many of the summit participants agreed this type of effort is long overdue.

Members of Army-Navy and Air Force Mars, as well as the Indiana Wing of the Civil Air Patrol offered their services during times of disaster. Everyone agreed this was a good start and look forward to future efforts to better train and organize Amateur Radio Emergency Communications in Marion County and Central Indiana.

Reporting from Indianapolis for Amateur News Weekly, this is Jack Parker W8ISH.

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According to Jack, everyone came away from the meeting knowing that cooperation between groups is a key element in providing better service to the public. (ANW)

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RADIO RULES: FCC ADOPTS AMBER EAS EVENT CODE FOR CHILD ABDUCTION CASES
The Federal Communications Commission has announced the adoption of a Report and Order amending the Emergency Alert System rules. Included are several new EAS event and location codes, which broadcast stations and cable systems may use to alert the public in the event of state and local emergencies. Of these, a new Child Abduction Emergency event code may be the most interesting to hams involved in Search and Rescue and who have E-A-S decoders installed in their repeaters.

The plan is described as a voluntary partnership between law enforcement agencies and the media that will be used to alert the public of serious child abduction cases where police believe that the child is in danger of bodily harm or death. Under the plan, radio and television stations will be permitted but not required to interrupt programming to disseminate information concerning serious child abductions when the new Child Abduction Emergency code is received. It could also be used by hams as an automated call to action to help find a missing child if used to activate an E-A-S equipped Amateur Service repeater.

Police departments say that every minute counts in dealing with an abducted child situation. In adding the Child Abduction Emergency code the FCC says that its responding to public concerns. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC COMPLETES GEORGIA ARRL VEC EXAM SESSION AUDIT

The FCC has wrapped up an investigation into apparent irregularities at five ARRL VEC-sponsored Amateur Radio examination sessions in Georgia during 2000 and 2001. As a result of the probe, FCC Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth says that several examinees will be called back for partial retesting:

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Riley Hollingsworth: “We determined reviewing all of the information that was brought to our by the League that eight examinees will have to be retested on the code element. The ARRL has also relieved ten VE’s of their duties as volunteer examiners.”
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According to the ARRL Letter, all V-E’s who might have been involved were suspended after the FCC investigation began last year. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: A REPEATER OUTSIDE OF THE BAND

The FCC is also looking at the operation of repeater in the Metro New York City area. Again, the FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth:

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Riley Hollingsworth: “We opened an inquiry into allegations that an uncoordinated repeater operated by Thomas Batista, KC2DDD, and Gerardo Arias, N2IFU, in Corona and Staten Island New York. Now that repeater is not only causing interference to a coordinted repeater, but the input is apparently on a frequency not even allocated to the Amateur band. So, needless to say we are real interested in reviewing that response when it comes in.
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What Hollingsworth will be looking for is an answer to why the machine is using 143.020 MHz as an input frequency as well as why its on the air without coordination. 143.020 MHz is a full 800 Kilohertz below the bottom edge of the 2 meter Amateur band. (FCC, RAIN)

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CONVENTIONS: SOUTH EAST VHF SOCIETY CONFERENCE

On a far lighter note, the Sixth Annual Southeastern VHF Society Conference will take place April 26th through the 27th in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. And they too are putting out a call for papers. If you are interested in participating, please contact KG4QDZ by e-mail to kg4qdz@arrl.net. (VHF Reflector)

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CONVENTIONS: CHARLESTON HAMFEST MARCH 16

And the 18th Annual Charleston Area Hamfest and Computer Show will be held Saturday, March 16, 2002 from 9 AM to 3 PM at the Coonskin Armory in Charleston, West Virginia. Talk-in is on the 145.35 MHz repeater. Admission is $5 and there will be free parking. More information is available by e-mail to n8tmw@arrl.net. (N8TMW)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: NCI LEADER CALLS FOR ELECTIONS

Bruce Perens, K6BP, the founder and an incumbent director of No Code International says that its time for new directions for the group and has called for elections. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has more:

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According to Bruce Perins, K6BP, when he started NCI in 1997, he never dreamed that it’s goals would be achieved so quickly. But says Perins; “we are most of the way there.”

Perins notes that last year the International Amateur Radio Union voted to ask for the removal of the international treaty provision requiring Morse Code testing for Radio Amateurs. Now Perins observes that even ARRL has voted in favor of removing code requirements from the international Radio Regulations.

With what he terms as -- no remaining credible opposition to NCI's cause left on the international level -- Perins says that it is time to turn NCI’s focus to domestic policy. He says that for NCI to take an appropriate role in the end-game of the no-code battle means cooperation with national societies like the American Radio Relay League. And to do this, Perrins believes may take some new people.

So Perins has asked that an election for new directors be held no later than April 30th of this year. He also says that any person who was an NCI member on December 31, 2001 can be a candidate for director, and is eligible to vote in the election.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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More information about No Code International is on the web at www.nocode.org. (ARNewsline with information from K6BP)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AO-40 GPS TEST RESULTS PUBLISHED

The February issue of GPS World included an article titled Formation Flying in Space. Authored in-part by AMSAT North America's Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, the essay shows G-P-S results from the receivers that NASA’ Goddard Space Flight Center provided for flight on the AMSAT OSCAR 40 bird. According to Tom Clark, W3IWI, the data shown in the article was downloaded using AO-40's RUDAK system by WD0E and KB0G. (ANS)

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WRTC-2002: ORGANIZING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES THE COMPLETE LIST OF OFFICIAL ON-SITE REFEREES

The WRTC 2002 Organizing Committee has named a full list of on-site referees for the upcoming games. The committee says that it received more than 100 highly qualified applications and those chosen were from that group. A full list of referees and other information is available on the web at www.wrtc2002.org (WRTC2002)

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DX

In D-X, word that Dave Cree, G3TBK, has returned to work in the Caribbean. Throughout March Dave will be active as J88DR from St. Vincent. For the first two weeks of April look for him J3 slash G3TBK from Grenada. Operations will be on all bands, but concentrating on the WARC bands, mostly on C-W, but with some SSB. QSL to Dave's home call either direct or via the RSGB bureau. (RSGB)

The New Zealand Amateur Transmitters Society is warning hams world wide of what they say is a pirate operation. According the NZART News, a maritime mobile station using the callsign ZL2TO and the name Tony has been heard recently operating on nets on 15 Meters. This station currently gives his location as the Cape Verde Islands. Only one problem. The ZL2TO call sign is allocated the Waitara Amateur Radio Club. (NZART)

And the South Africa Radio League news service says that anyone who has held a QSO's with 7Q8 slash ZS6GH or C9 slash ZS6GH should write them off . SARL says that these have been declared null and void because license or authorization to operate was issued by the telecommunications regulators in Malawi or Mozambique. (SARL)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: NOMINATIONS SOUGHT FOR THE YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

And finally, we started this weeks newscast with a story about awards. Lets end it on a similar note as we here a Amateur Radio Newsline officially open the 2002 nominating season for our own Young Ham of the Year Award.

The Young Ham of the Year award was created in 1986 by amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, to fill what he viewed as a void where younger members of ham radio society were often overlooked:

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Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF: “When I was a young ham in the 50’s and 60’s the good deeds of young hams were often overlooked and ignored. When I grew up I was fortunate enough to be in a position to remedy this and thats how the Young Ham of the Year Award program came about. Thats how it came into being”
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The award as originally envisioned as very low budget. One idea was for a certificate that would be mailed to a ham, age 18 or younger who had shown some exceptional ability or performed some heroic deed that set him or her apart from the crowd. When Bill mentioned the idea to Chip Margelli K7JA, of Vertex Standard back in the company’s days as Yaesu USA, the idea quickly expanded. Margelli offered company support on the spot:

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Chip Margelli, K7JA: “When Bill Pasternak gave me a call and dsescribed the project to me in the tiniest bit of detail it was obvious that this was a no-brainer and something that we as a company at Yaesu wanted to encourage. So, I jumped at the opportunity to be a major contributor and it has been a great project ever since.”
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The award now had substance, but it lacked a permanent home. One was found in 1993 when it was invited to the Huntsville Hamfest:

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Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF: “The way we got to Huntsville? Simple. We advertised. We put a notice into the newscast that we were searching for a permanent home. The answer came in a note from Scotty Neustadter, now W4WW, who is the Huntsville Hamfest Chairman. Scotty basically said bring it to Huntsville. And we did.”
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While the presentation ceremony did go to Seaside Oregon in 1994, it returned to Huntsville in 1995 where it has been ever since. And in 1996 a second major corporate underwriter came on board. C-Q Magazine. Rich Moseson W2VU, is editor:

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Rich Moseson, W2VU: “We at CQ have always thought that it is very important to promote Amateur Radio to young people and we saw that co-sponsorship of the award was the way to help do that.
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What CQ did was to add to the Young Ham of the Year awards chest something very special. A week of fun and excitement at Spacecamp. Today, with corporate sponsorship from Vertex-Standard USA and CQ Magazine, and support from countless others including the ARRL, Dave Bell Associates and Rosewood Communications the Young Ham of the Year Award continues to honor the Amateur Radio related achievements of those hams age 18 or younger. And now its time to find a fitting recipient for 2002.

Full details, rules and a nominating form are available right now on our website at www.arnewsline.org. Just scroll down to the Young Ham of the Year Award area and click to download. Or you can send a self addressed stamped envelope to the 2002 Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award, 28197 Robin Avenue, Santa Clarita California 91350 and we will mail back the materials.

The Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award is a one of a kind. It honors the youth of ham radio and in doing so, we hope it helps to insure a bright future for the hobby and the radio service that all of us love. (ARNewsline™)

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Before we go, another reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year is now open. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Roy Neal, K6DUE, thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

419. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-11 20:31:51 UTC
From: Mark Walsh <mark@km6xu.die.spam.die.com>
Message-ID: <a6j431$c6o$1@bob.news.rcn.net>
Source record: 4604
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

"JEEPMON" <JEEPMON@HOTMAIL.COM> wrote:

> I need help picking the best 6 meter vertical antenna.
> I think I have narrowed it down to:
> Hy-Gain V-6R
> Diamond DP-GH62

> Has anyone ever used these two antennas and if so wich are the best in
> radiation, gain, and quality.

I've been through a couple of GH62 antennas.
They offer great gain, but are easily destroyed by wind.

420. Re: reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-12 00:13:42 UTC
From: eapoe@excite.com
Message-ID: <13f2ebf3.0203111613.4567a1f4@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4605

eapoe@excite.com (milt) wrote in message
news:<13f2ebf3.0203101535.2673e73f@posting.google.com>...
> i live in central new york city (manhattan) and like to record off
> local fm stations, particularly small and college stations. trouble is
> i rarely get a clean signal. it seems to depend mostly on the weather,
> even for stations only 1=2 miles away. i have relatively low=end
> components, including a $75 Terk powered antenna. i wonder if better
> equipment would help. or could it be the jumble of wires connecting
> everything is creating interference? i would appreciate any
> suggestions. milt

is it my breath?
i guess what i really need are some tips about how to get responses
(where to post;, what subject names to use; join an existing group or
start a new one; etc.) thanks . milt

421. For sale: Plessey PR2250

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-13 14:17:43 UTC
From: Percom <percom@zonnet.nl>
Message-ID: <a6nncr$9nq$1@cyan.nl.gxn.net>
Source record: 4606

For sale Plessey PR 2250 communication receiver in perfect condition. This type of receiver was in use at the british embassies.
(look at www.percom.myweb.nl)

Price EURO 1350,- without shipment.

422. morse code exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-13 22:52:30 UTC
From: michael jantzen <jantzen_michael@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <NKQj8.33333$af7.26680@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4607

I've actually taken and passed general and extra - only thing holding me back is the cw test which
I will attempt this Friday.

Maybe someone could help me with these answers :).

What is the test really like? How much punctuation does the test use? What is the qso you listen to like? Do they send in Farnsworth style or what? And how long is the audio portion of the test? Say you botch the written part - how hard is the multiple choice part?

Am I being justifiably nervous?

Michael Jantzen ^_^ n7wsb

423. Re: morse code exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-13 23:58:56 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3C8FE7CE.1D375E0F@amsat.org>
Source record: 4608

Hi Mike -- here in San Diego the examiners have a handout sheet --- call yours and see if they have one.
If not here is what to expect in San Diego. Your area should be similar.

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PASSING THE CODE TEST

NOTE: Following is a typical exam handout sheet used in San Diego. Before you study the code or prepare for a
test, call YOUR VEC and get the latest information. You will want to know in what manner to study, note that in
the example, code characters are sent at 13 wpm, with the spacing adjusted for overall 5 wpm speed ï¿½ study
accordingly is recommended. The VECï¿½s in your particular area can be found at URL:
http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/veclist.html

This is a typical Morse code test as given by our local Volunteer Examiners in San Diego, California. It is
presented here as a matter of what to expect when you take the test.

When you put the earphones on and the tape is started, you will hear one minute of practice to help you loosen
up. This will also give you the opportunity to make sure the volume is set high enough to allow you to hear the
characters being sent. An example of the one-minute practice might be like the following:

V V V The following is one minute of practice at 5 wpm to allow for adjustment of the volume.

Following the one minute of practice, there will be a slight pause followed by text sent by one operator in a
typical QSO. What follows is a sample of what you might hear:

V V V WA7VXB/8 de N3YZW BT RRR Thanks Roger for the nice report. Your report is RST 569 ? 569 here in
Gambrills, MD. My name is Julles and I work as a Keypunch Operator. My age is 30 and I am married and
have 2 children. The rig is a Yaesu 101B putting out 75 watts to a 2 element Quad antenna. I feed the antenna
with 50 ohm coaxial cable. The weather here is warm and breezy, temperature is 74 degrees. So how copy? AR
WA7VXB/8 de N3YZW SK

You will note that the sample QSO contains all of the alphabet letters, numbers 1 thru 0, punctuation such as the

period, comma, question mark, slant bar, and the prosigns BT, AR, and SK. All of these are required by the FCC
to demonstrate your knowledge of the Morse Code. The actual QSO you hear will be approximately five minutes
in duration.

Following your listening to the QSO, we will check your copy looking for a string of 25 characters in a row
without error. If you have copied 25 characters in a row without error, you pass. If not, you will be provided with
an answer sheet with ten questions about the QSO you just copied. If you answer seven (7) or more correctly,
you pass. Each letter in the text counts as one (1) character, numbers, punctuation and prosigns count as two. If
you have the appropriate number of characters in a row correct, you pass the code test. As you see, you have
two chances to pass.

What are the questions like? Following are some examples, along with the correct answer:

What is the callsign of the station being called? WA7VXB/8

What is the callsign of the calling station? N3YZW

What is the name of the operator being called? Roger

What is the name of the calling operator? Julles

What is the calling operators job? Keypunch Operator

What make and model radio is he using? Yaesu l01B

What kind of antenna is he using? 2 Element Quad

What kind of feedline is he using? 50 Ohm Coaxial Cable

How many children does he have? 2

What is the temperature at his location? 74 Degrees

You will note that there is emphasis on callsigns and numbers, pay close attention to the make and model of the
radio being used and the antenna system. Remember which is the calling station and the station being called.
Some have had the calls correct, but reversed them on the answer sheet. READ THE QUESTIONS
CAREFULLY!

Remember, your first chance at passing is your text. Go back over it carefully, you are going to have some blank
spots. Use your best judgment as to what is missing. Remember, state abbreviations will probably be sent as two
letters, e.g. CA not CAL or Calif. We will start counting with the first correct character and continue until you

miss. We will start again at the next correct character and continue until you miss again. We do this until the end
of the text, counting letters as one (1), numbers and punctuation, and prosigns as two (2) characters. If we find
enough correct in a string, i.e. 25 you pass.

Suppose your text looked like this before you went back over it to see if you could fill in where you missed a
character: "The rig i_, a Ya_su 101B put _g out 75 w___s to a 2 el_m_nt Q __d ant__na."

That line is sixty-six (66) characters long. When you go back over your text, don't you think you could fill in the
blanks? If you know rig names and models, types of antennas, feed lines, etc. you should have no problems.
Another thing -- penmanship is important, write or print your letters and numbers carefully, so we can read your
writing. Block printing is best, but try not to lose out because a cursive "c" looked like an "e". It is not pleasant
for us to have you miss out by a single character.

If you have any specific questions, be sure to ask one of the Volunteer Examiners before your Morse Code
Receiving Test begins. We wish you the best of luck and look forward to hearing you on the bands. YOUR
VOLUNTEER EXAMINER TEAM

Thanks to Harry A. Hodges, W6YOO, ARRL ASM - VE Team Leader
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Hope this helps. You can also find this at URL:
http://ac6v.com/morseaids.htm#CWPASS

Good Luck
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73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!

AC6V Mega Ham Index at http://ac6v.com
AC6V Book For DXers at http://ac6v.com/DXSAMPLE.htm

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424. Re: reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-14 00:34:46 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0203131634.5a61f2be@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4609

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eapoe@excite.com (milt) wrote in message
news:<13f2ebf3.0203111613.4567a1f4@posting.google.com>...
> eapoe@excite.com (milt) wrote in message
news:<13f2ebf3.0203101535.2673e73f@posting.google.com>...
> > i live in central new york city (manhattan) and like to record off
> > local fm stations, particularly small and college stations. trouble is
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> start a new one; etc.) thanks . milt

You can't expect instant answers on usenet. It doesn't work that way.
No ones newsfeed acts the same, and many don't even see posts that
others might until a day or two later. What you probably need is a
good FM yagi or log periodic antenna to point to the station you want
to listen to. An active antenna with a built in preamp is usually used
in fringe areas. You really don't need all that gain in NYC. It will
likely cause excess images. What you need is a good antenna and a
rotor. I assume your radio is usable... An outdoor TV antenna might
even do the trick, although I think radio shack sells some FM only
antennas. MK
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425. Wanted - Battery for Yaesu FT-23 Handi

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-14 16:55:47 UTC
From: Matt Curtis <mattcurtis78@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <a6qkmjmsr1@paris.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4610

Hiya Chaps,

A friend of mine has got a 2m Yaesu FT-23 Handheld.
with Palmate written on the front.
The battery Details - FNB-11 12V 600mAh

if anyone has a working battery, can you please let me know.

73 Matt

426. fraud...bad trader KB9YTV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-14 17:18:30 UTC
From: Presley Travis <presleytravis@nexet.net>
Message-ID: <3C90DB66.956D6EEA@nexet.net>
Source record: 4611

On January 28th I agreed to purchase an Alinco DR-M06 , 6 meter
tranceiver
from KB9YTV, Ian Ben Steimle, 1003 LIncoln St, Greebay, Wisconsin 54303.

I sent an Postal Money order Priority mail on Tuesday, January 29th
2002.

I received radio on Friday February 8th...not working

Februay 9th I notified Mr. Steimle and he agreed to refund the $185.00

February 11th I returned radio and he received it February 13th,
promising
overnight refund of $185.00

Several lies later we are without the refund a full month has passed and

emails have ceased from KB9YTV.

I have contacted the FBI Internet Fraud division and the Postal
Inspector...
and will continue to alert the Amateur Radio community...so that nobody
else falls prey to KB9YTV

Tnx & Vy 73,
KA4NNN
Presley Travis
324 Yanceyville Road
Louisa, Virginia 23093

My ebay ID is presleytravis@musician.org
if you would care to check my feedback.

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427. Ground

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-14 19:54:02 UTC
From: "Paul J. Wolsko" <pwolsko@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <ud7k8.5819$S%4.576988@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4612

Does anyone have a simple definition for "Ground"? I "know" what it is, but I have a difficult time explaining it. Some people call it a "Return". Return to what? Every telephone pole is gounded - has, stapled to it a rod that's driven 6' into the earth and, from the pole (in front of your house, perhaps) comes the "Ground" for your home's electrical system.

Paul, KC2FNC

428. Re: fraud...bad trader KB9YTV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-15 12:25:27 UTC
From: Presley Travis <presleytravis@nexet.net>
Message-ID: <3C91E836.A789F760@nexet.net>
Source record: 4613

update...

This is getting interesting, but not very...
Received an email from KB9YTV stating his bank
has an copy of an money order cashed by me that
he will soon have in his possession.
Totally false...

Regards,
KA4NNN
Presley Travis

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> Presley Travis
> 324 Yanceyville Road
> Louisa, Virginia 23093
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> My ebay ID is presleytravis@musician.org

> if you would care to check my feedback.
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429. Re: Ground

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-15 12:56:54 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C91EF48.FBFB8A94@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4614

its a return to ground for lightening when it hits the pole or what ever the ground gives a direct path to earth ground rather than to your electronics

"Paul J. Wolsko" wrote:

> Does anyone have a simple definition for "Ground"? I "know" what it is, but
> I have a difficult time explaining it. Some people call it a "Return".
> Return to what? Every telephone pole is gounded - has, stapled to it a rod
> that's driven 6' into the earth and, from the pole (in front of your house,
> perhaps) comes the "Ground" for your home's electrical system.
>
> Paul, KC2FNC

430. Ten Tec Omni D nice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-15 17:07:43 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020315120743.13442.00001343@mb-fn.aol.com>
Source record: 4615

Ten Tec Omni D with warc in it, matching power supply/speaker/noise blanker/ cw filter board. 500 hz crystal filter/ and manual. Radio is in good shape and pto rebuilt. $375.00 shipped. Rig is excess to my needs and I purchased recently an Omni 6 plus! Thanks Lew KlNDV

431. FA: MOTOROLA ITEMS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-16 17:34:22 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3c94816b.136282243@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4616

Item name:NEW MOTOROLA QUANTAR POWER SUPPLY
Item number:1339225244
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339225244

Item name:QTY THREE (3) MOTOROLA STX 800 MHZ PORTABLES
Item number:1339686351
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339686351

Item name:MOTOROLA MTS-2000 800MHZ MODEL III PORTABLE
Item number:1339227271
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339227271

Item name:MOTOROLA STX W/ FRONT DISPLAY/KEYPAPD/ACCYS
Item number:1339814268
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339814268

Item name:MOTOROLA MTX-800 W/ DTMF PAD
Item number:1338955060
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1338955060

Item name:MOTOROLA NMN6071B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number:1339807720
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339807720

Item name:MOTOROLA NMN6177A SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number:1339683266
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339683266

Item name:MOTOROLA SURVEILLANCE KIT
Item number:1339810503
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339810503

Item name:MOTOROLA NMN6142B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number:1339682814
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339682814

Item name:MOTOROLA NMN4339B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number:1339681746

To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339681746

432. Drake TR-4C Sideband Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-16 18:23:12 UTC
From: p@d.com
Message-ID: <3c938d7c.16174823@news-server>
Source record: 4617

I recently acquired subject transcreiver and am in need of a power supply for it and a copy of schematics, operating manual, etc.

Any help would be greatly appreciated.

You can e-mail me at pdamiano@tampabay.rr.com

433. Eimac 3-500Z tubes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-16 18:24:54 UTC
From: dw130@aol.comspamfree
Message-ID: <20020316132454.21394.00001977@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 4618

I was recently told that there were some Eimac 3-500Z tubes that had bad plate welds and that this would cause the plate structure to start leaning over after a period of use. Does anyone here know how to identify which Eimac 3-500Z's these were? Also, does anyone have expreience with RF Parts brand 3-500Z's? I have always been advised that Chinese tubes should be avoided but on the other hand, I hear pretty good things about these. I have an old SB-220 and I want to get a set of spares for it. I just don't want to get stuck. (If replying directly please reply to k1rodxyz@arrl.net and remove the "xyz")

Thanks es 73'

rod (k1rod)

434. Re: morse code exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-17 15:33:05 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <barrykooda@YAHOO.COM>
Message-ID: <RG2l8.6091$9F2.3020@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4619

Mike,

Don't sweat the code exam. If you studied correctly and learned it you will breeze through it.

Yes it is sent in the Farnsworth method. The charcter spacing is at 5 wpm, the characters are sent approx 13-15 wpm. If you used tapes to study, and they were sent at exactly 5 wpm both charcters and spacings your going to have trouble, because your not used to the sounds of the charcters.

The code practice programs that you can download helped me. I had some old tapes from 73 magazine from the late 70's that used this method. The characters are sent at 13 wpm w/5 wpm spacings. When I used the pc programs I cranked the charcter speed to 18-22 wpm and the spacings at 7 wpm to force myself to learn what it really sounds like on the air.

As for the content of the exam it's not a secret what is on it. The acutal test is about 5 minutes long, you will be listening to a real CW QSO. Your going to hear the call signs of both station, signal reports, weather, station equipment, names, QTH, etc, anything you might hear in a real QSO. Punctuation, it's the 26 letters of the alpahbet, all numbers 0-9, the / (back slash or slant bar), comma, period, question mark, hyphen, and several prosigns such as SK, BT, SN.

The key is over prepare and when you sit down to the listen to the tape or pc, whichever method the VE's use there, you'll think they are sending in slow motion. The hang time between letters will seem like for ever, but you will be more confident and pass with flying colors.

WHAT EVER YOU DO LEARN TO RECIEVE BEFORE YOU EVERY TOUCH A KEY! If you try to learn the code by sending before you can recieve it, you'll be sending far faster than you can copy it.

Probably by the time you read this you have already taken and or passed it. Good luck whichever way it went. If you passed welcome to HF, if not, you now know what it's really like and how to prepare for it again.

I got my first ticket in 2000, took both the Tech and General written. Never got on the air till 2001 when I took the CW portion to finish my General, then I treated myself and got a used Kenwood TS820 and a 2 meter Alinco.

Look for you on HF someday.

Ray
KC2GMN

435. FYI: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-17 17:02:16 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3C94CC1C.CF2ECD51@amsat.org>
Source record: 4620
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

At URL: http://ac6v.com/humors.htm#FH

Includes CQ Hall Of Fame for -- Radio Hall of Fame -- Contest Hall of Fame -- DX Hall of Fame

Also such notables as:
Chet Atkins, Ronnie Milsap, Art Bell, Barry Goldwater, Priscilla Presley, King Hussein, Marlon Brando, and many many more

Also Astronaut Hams

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73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!

AC6V Mega Ham Index at http://ac6v.com
AC6V Book For DXers at http://ac6v.com/DXSAMPLE.htm

436. Yaseu FT-757GXI Tech Supplement

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-17 17:10:52 UTC
From: n2yet1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020317121052.06455.00002608@mb-fi.aol.com>
Source record: 4621

Was going crazy trying to find a Tech Supplement for my FT-757GXII .
I stumbled across this site and was amazed he had it.
I am posting this in case anybody else is having a hard time trying to find a specific manual.
http://earlselectronics.com/Ham2.htm

437. Re: looking for UTC program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-17 21:11:57 UTC
From: "Allan R. Batteiger" <arb@NOSPAMrtsi.com>
Message-ID: <Xns91D49B094B91Aarbrtsicom@140.99.99.130>
Source record: 4622
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

me@privacy.net wrote in news:3C8B9F1F.4F11812B@privacy.net:

> -----BEGIN PGP SIGNED MESSAGE-----
> Hash: SHA1
>
>> In rec.radio.amateur MD <mdxxx@cox.net> wrote:
>> I have found tons of DIALUP programs that will set your PC
>> clock but I haven't found any that will work through a
>> network, DSL or cable modem.
>>
>> Anyone have such a program?
>>
>> 73
>
>
> You might want to use NetLab:
> http://www.softpile.com/Utilities/Network/Review_05239_index
> .html
>
Also look at www.nist.gov. They have downloadable sources for
their time program. The also have the spec for the various time
protocols.

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Allan R. Batteiger
Real-Time Services Inc.
2530 Tarpley #600
Carrollton Tx. 75006
972-245-4239
arb@rtsi.com

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-17 21:46:53 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3c950e6f.237918759@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4623

Windows XP has an auto-time-set feature. Right click on the clock in
the taskbar, then click on adjust dtae/time, and go to the tab that
says "internet time.
GL & 73
dt

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>>> 73
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>>
>> You might want to use NetLab:
>> http://www.softpile.com/Utilities/Network/Review_05239_index
>> .html
>>
> Also look at www.nist.gov. They have downloadable sources for
>their time program. The also have the spec for the various time
>protocols.

439. Re: morse code exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-17 22:48:15 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0203171448.7c7b4347@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4624

"Ray Keefe" <barrykooda@YAHOO.COM> wrote in message
news:<RG2l8.6091$9F2.3020@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>...
When I used the pc programs
> I cranked the charcter speed to 18-22 wpm and the spacings at 7 wpm to force
> myself to learn what it really sounds like on the air.

Huh? On the air, the spacing should match the character speed. IE: if
at 20 wpm characters, you should be using a normal 20 wpm spacing.
Farnsworth is only a learning method. It's not intended to be used on
the air that way. You should use normal spacing on the air.
>

>
> WHAT EVER YOU DO LEARN TO RECIEVE BEFORE YOU EVERY TOUCH A KEY! If you try
> to learn the code by sending before you can recieve it, you'll be sending
> far faster than you can copy it.

Thats fairly normal. I've always been able to send faster than I can
receive, and I think most all are the same way. It's less of a process
to have the brain tell fingers what to send, than having the ears hear
something, and then having the brain decode it. MK

440. BC100XLT repair

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-18 03:50:58 UTC
From: ballgofar@retardsrule.com
Message-ID: <302f180.0203171950.43478b67@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4625

Can you tell me how to find this Q201 everyone seems to be talking about?
I have a BC100XLT that has all the symptoms of this seemingly coomon problem yet I dont know how to locate it on the board. Any help would be greatly apprciated. Someone HAS to have done this repair?! PLEASE HELP if at all possible.

Thanks,

Paul

Uniden/Bearcat BC200XLT Portable - Loss of Audio and Dial Lamp
If you can program frequencies into your BC200XLT but there is no audio and
the green backlight no longer functions, a tiny transistor may have failed.
Check for a defective PNP surface mount transistor, Q201 (2SB815B6-YDY).
Q201 is used as a switch to furnish 8 VDC to several stages of the BC200XLT.
Its main purpose is to switch off power hungry stages of the BC200XLT when
the CPU thinks the NiCd voltage has fallen below a threshhold. That's an
attempt to limit the current drain on weak NiCds to avoid permanent damage.

Q201 is located on the foil side of the "Micom" board, adjacent to the black
multi-pin connector which mates the Micom and main boards together.

Q201 can be destroyed by a few different causes, primarily, by something in
the scanner drawing too much current through it. In one case, capacitor C36
shorted. It's a 220 uF 10v electrolytic, located on the component side of
the main board, connected from pin 8 of the audio IC (IC2 NJM386SL) to ground. Capacitor C55 shorted in another BC200XLT. Gary Bean reports he
substituted a 2SA1298 for Q201 and it worked fine. In a pinch you bypass
Q201 by soldering a short piece of bare wire between the collector and emitter, but you must first fix the component which caused Q201 to fail

441. VX-(1/5)R > 1200bps Packet?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-18 07:31:44 UTC
From: Nick Papadonis <npapadon@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <m38z8qxrpj.fsf@yahoo.com>
Source record: 4626
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc

I own a Yaesu VX-5R and have managed to get it communicating at
1200bps AFSK using the Linux soundmodem. I am unable to establish
9600bps FSK to a radio in the same building!

Is the VX-5R not 9600bps capable? If anyone has any insight it is
much appreciated.

Thanks

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- Nick

442. Re: morse code exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-18 14:48:25 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3C95FE3B.35B8F47E@amsat.org>
Source record: 4627

More Morse code study tips at URL:
http://ac6v.com/morseaids.htm#Learn

Passing the test at URL:
http://ac6v.com/morseaids.htm#CWPASS
Good Luck

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73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
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443. Re: 5w HTs - your comments please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-18 16:58:10 UTC
From: ron.lucier@flir.com
Message-ID: <90376889.0203180858.2b2d4c79@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4628

I purchased a Yaesu VX-5R last year and am disappointed with it, particularly battery life. I travel for business nearly 100% of the time and find that the ON/OFF button is easily pushed on when in my laptop case. Therefore when I get to where I'm going the little sucker is out of juice. Also, I have yet to find a 6 meter repeater to work.

Additionally, wide band receive on all the handhelds is pretty much a joke. They work best near the frequencies you can transmit on. Don't think for a minute that the little 6 inch antenna is gonna pick up WWV on 10 MHz, unless of course you are right on top of it.

As a positive, I have been a ham since 1972 and appreciate the technology and effort that goes into designing very small radios. The VX-5R tranceives very well on 2M and 440 and is an excellent radio for listening in the Aircraft AM band.

Good luck and 73 de W1AAE

> John Bartley wrote:
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> > 1) Seems to me there may be design compromises in multiband rigs.
> > What are your experiences w/ 5w HTs? Especially interested in Yaesu
> > FT-50RDHP, Yaesu VX-5R, Kenwood TH-F6A & TH-D7A(G). Packet data is a
> > priority.

444. Re: 5w HTs - your comments please

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-18 17:10:01 UTC
From: Christopher Maness <chris@ns2.internetinsite.com>
Message-ID: <Jbpl8.4069$BP1.3029@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4629

Despite the users complaints, the VX-5R is an excellent rig. It has many features that make it very attractive.

You might try looking at ehams.net --> revews.

Ron Lucier <ron.lucier@flir.com> wrote:

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445. Re: VX-(1/5)R > 1200bps Packet?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-18 17:12:58 UTC
From: Christopher Maness <chris@ns2.internetinsite.com>
Message-ID: <uepl8.4071$BP1.2497@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4630
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc

Generally, no standard FM rig is 9600bd capable unless it is included as a mod
or a feature. 9.6K operation requires the audio to be taken directly off of
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446. Re: Ground

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-18 17:23:21 UTC
From: Christopher Maness <chris@ns2.internetinsite.com>
Message-ID: <dopl8.4074$BP1.1853@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4631

Most electronic engineers and electritians have made "Earth Potential" the
zero voltage reference. This is why most electronic components the chasis is
usualy grounded so that the risk of electric shock is reduced. If a hot lead
comes in contact with the chasis it will simply trip the breaker as it is
shorted to ground. Hope that helps.

also do a google search for grounding theory

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447. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 00:59:28 UTC
From: AB7RS <ab7rsnospam@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <u9d3cti4p3j6dc@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4632
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

Do we really have to mention Art Bell?

"AC6V" <ac6v@amsat.org> wrote in message news:3C94CC1C.CF2ECD51@amsat.org...
> At URL: http://ac6v.com/humors.htm#FH
>
> Includes CQ Hall Of Fame for -- Radio Hall of Fame -- Contest Hall of
> Fame -- DX Hall of Fame
>
> Also such notables as:
> Chet Atkins, Ronnie Milsap, Art Bell, Barry Goldwater, Priscilla
> Presley, King Hussein, Marlon Brando, and many many more
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448. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 02:12:41 UTC
From: kludge@panix.com
Message-ID: <a766qpate1@panix2.panix.com>
Source record: 4633
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

Well, there was Dipolonius, the Roman senator. And there was Petroleum Blownaparte, the former King of France who had a very bad experience with a Cantenna dummy load.

Even the youngest of schoolchildren has been taught that Vikings appeared on the American continent as early as the eighth century AD, although of course AM modulation was okay back then.

And even Tennessee Williams was an amateur radio operator. His long-lost play "Morning Becomes Electric" about an all-night DXing session, is another fine example of this hobby influencing the arts.
--scott
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"C'est un Nagra. C'est suisse, et tres, tres precis."

449. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 03:09:58 UTC
From: CJ <chas@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <u9db0iekj0akab@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4634
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

You guys are leaving out one the - most famous - Hams....

http://www.qrz.com/callsign/W4ULD

Andy Griffith

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Thanks for the nice Usenet message...

Charles Johnston
AB7SL - Ham Radio Pages
www.ab7sl.com

450. 13.8 VDC Switching Power Supply Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 05:08:27 UTC
From: "Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH" <wb4zoh@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <3C96C7B7.9FE4AC6A@arrl.net>
Source record: 4635
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.amateur,alt.ham-radio

My Icom 2100H requires 16A when in the high power (50 watt) mode. I'm familiar with the Astron RS-20M supply. Unfortunately, I have no experience with the Astron SS (Switching) power supplies and am thinking about getting a SS-18. Astron claims the SS supplies are "specially filtered for use with communications equipment for all frequencies..."

Any comments/suggestions on using a Switching System power supply for VHF/UHF?

Thanks
Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH

451. Re: Yaseu FT-757GXI Tech Supplement

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 12:19:15 UTC
From: dss117@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020319071915.24431.00002049@mb-df.aol.com>
Source record: 4636

I also have a 757 GX II. I have the manual but what does the tech. supplement have that I need?
Thanks in advance...

452. YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 13:20:47 UTC
From: "James H. Coburn IV" <aconfusedmofo@mediaone.net>
Message-ID: <PWGl8.61766$QB1.16905615@typhoon3.we.ipsvc.net>
Source record: 4637
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

The New VX- 7R

50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

220 is us onlt and limited to .3 watts out.

This unit also has AM transmit on 50mhz 1 watt AM only.

True dual band operation for amateur bands only.

For the manual.

Pictures inside and out

and discussion come join us at the VX7 group At:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YAESUVX7/

453. Re: Yaseu FT-757GXI Tech Supplement

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 14:08:48 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <3C974670.339DD78D@dialpoint.net>
Source record: 4638

It is more like a repair manual. It has the internal tuning and
adjusting information and the schematics for the radio. If you do not
want to repair this radio then you do not need it. If you want to
reapir it , then you need the tech. suppelment.

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> have that I need?
> Thanks in advance...

454. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 14:33:12 UTC
From: Robert Lyons <boblyons@umich.edu>
Message-ID: <3C974C27.1E9200BB@umich.edu>
Source record: 4639
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

"James H. Coburn IV" wrote:
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> The New VX- 7R
>
> 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Interesting - on the faceplate, it says "Submersible"!

I once let my young daughter, a semi-experienced sailor, go out in our little sailboat. She carried a VX-1R in case of problems, and I monitored the frequency from shore. Of course, the trouble she encountered was gusty winds that dumped the boat, and the ziplock bag containing the radio had a leak. No problem for her - she swims well, and I saw her problem from shore right away. The radio, however, took me many months to put back in working shape.

I'd love to have a handheld that could stand up to a quick immersion or a heavy spray off the bow. Nice feature!

Bob, KI8AB

455. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 16:20:06 UTC
From: k3ph@dxis.monroe.pa.us
Message-ID: <Gt8ABC.EC3@dxis.monroe.pa.us>
Source record: 4640
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

In article <u9db0iekj0akab@corp.supernews.com>, CJ <chas@yahoo.com> wrote:
>You guys are leaving out one the - most famous - Hams....
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>http://www.qrz.com/callsign/W4ULD
>
>Andy Griffith

Andy Griffith the actor is NOT this person. If any of the
callsign servers still gave the birth date, this would be
painfully obvious. The ages are off by at least 20 years.
The actor would had to have been 17 years old when he was
doing the Mayberry stint. He wasn't.

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| Bob Schreibmaier K3PH | E-mail: k3ph@dxis.monroe.pa.us |
| Kresgeville, PA 18333 | http://www.qsl.net/k3ph |
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456. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 19:32:59 UTC
From: Arnold Worthington <arworth@icomnet.com>
Message-ID: <a783rc0t64@enews2.newsguy.com>
Source record: 4641
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

I know W4ULD personaly. He is a retired chemical engineer from DuPont Co.

WA4POD

457. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 21:55:59 UTC
From: "Paul J. Wolsko" <pwolsko@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <PtOl8.15836$bj1.6228463@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4642
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

Jean Shepherd, K2ORS

Paul, KC2FNC

"AB7RS" <ab7rsnospam@arrl.net> wrote in message
news:u9d3cti4p3j6dc@corp.supernews.com...
> Do we really have to mention Art Bell?
>
> "AC6V" <ac6v@amsat.org> wrote in message
news:3C94CC1C.CF2ECD51@amsat.org...
> > At URL: http://ac6v.com/humors.htm#FH
> >
> > Includes CQ Hall Of Fame for -- Radio Hall of Fame -- Contest Hall of
> > Fame -- DX Hall of Fame
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> > Also such notables as:
> > Chet Atkins, Ronnie Milsap, Art Bell, Barry Goldwater, Priscilla
> > Presley, King Hussein, Marlon Brando, and many many more
> >
> > Also Astronaut Hams
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> > I doubt, therefore I might be!
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> > AC6V Mega Ham Index at http://ac6v.com
> > AC6V Book For DXers at http://ac6v.com/DXSAMPLE.htm
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458. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 22:02:19 UTC
From: CJ <chas@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <u9fdbjouukd00a@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4643
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

Charles T Johnston - AB7SL

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Thanks for the nice Usenet message...

Charles Johnston
AB7SL - Ham Radio Pages
www.ab7sl.com

459. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 22:16:20 UTC
From: w2Xup@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <3c97b8a1.13952603@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 4644
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

Jean owes me a QSL!
Barry W2UP

On Tue, 19 Mar 2002 21:55:59 GMT, "Paul J. Wolsko"
<pwolsko@optonline.net> wrote:

>Jean Shepherd, K2ORS
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>Paul, KC2FNC
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>"AB7RS" <ab7rsnospam@arrl.net> wrote in message
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Note - Remove the X from my e-mail address for direct replies

460. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 22:36:25 UTC
From: "Paul J. Wolsko" <pwolsko@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <J3Pl8.16251$bj1.6346993@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4645
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

You may have a difficult time getting it from 'ol Shep! <g>

EXCELSIOR, YOU FATHEADS!!!! (From Shep's live show at the Limelight, NYC in the 60's)

Paul KC2FNC

"Barry" <w2Xup@mindspring.com> wrote in message news:3c97b8a1.13952603@news.mindspring.com...
> Jean owes me a QSL!
> Barry W2UP

461. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 22:52:55 UTC
From: w2Xup@mindspring.com
Message-ID: <3c97c134.16148566@news.mindspring.com>
Source record: 4646
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

I know! I had trouble then, and it will remain so...
Barry

On Tue, 19 Mar 2002 22:36:25 GMT, "Paul J. Wolsko"
<pwolsko@optonline.net> wrote:

>You may have a difficult time getting it from 'ol Shep! <g>
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>EXCELSIOR, YOU FATHEADS!!!! (From Shep's live show at the Limelight, NYC in
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462. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-19 23:00:46 UTC
From: Screaming Skull <KG4IVT@hot.mail.spicedmeat.sucks.leave.me.alone.com>
Message-ID: <yqPl8.9268$wf.1475571@typhoon.southeast.rr.com>
Source record: 4647
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

When will this radio be available and where can info be found about it? I couldn't find anything on Yaesu's website. Thanks!

"James H. Coburn IV" <aconfusedmofo@mediaone.net> wrote in message news:PWGl8.61766$QB1.16905615@typhoon3.we.ipsvc.net...
> The New VX- 7R
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>
> 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver
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> 220 is us onlt and limited to .3 watts out.
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> This unit also has AM transmit on 50mhz 1 watt AM only.
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> True dual band operation for amateur bands only.
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> For the manual.
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> Pictures inside and out
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> and discussion come join us at the VX7 group At:
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> http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YAESUVX7/
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463. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-20 01:29:21 UTC
From: Sam.Yang@csiro.au
Message-ID: <4b8ff9bc.0203191729.275f4f8@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4648
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Where can I get more information/specifications about the VX-7R? It is
not available on the YAESU homepage.

Regards,

Sam Yang
Sam.Yang@csiro.au

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news:<PWGl8.61766$QB1.16905615@typhoon3.we.ipsvc.net>...
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464. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-20 05:01:38 UTC
From: blackm00@cam.org
Message-ID: <6447bcd3.0203192101.4bb3c92d@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4649
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

k3ph@dxis.monroe.pa.us (Bob Schreibmaier) wrote in message
news:<Gt8ABC.EC3@dxis.monroe.pa.us>...
> In article <u9db0iekj0akab@corp.supernews.com>, CJ <chas@yahoo.com> wrote:
> >You guys are leaving out one the - most famous - Hams....
> >
> >http://www.qrz.com/callsign/W4ULD
> >
> >Andy Griffith
>
> Andy Griffith the actor is NOT this person. If any of the
> callsign servers still gave the birth date, this would be
> painfully obvious. The ages are off by at least 20 years.
> The actor would had to have been 17 years old when he was
> doing the Mayberry stint. He wasn't.

I can't think of another name at the moment, but I'm sure this sort
of mistaken identity has come up before. Someone sees a famous
name in the callbook, and assumes it's the famous person, when
in reality, it's just someone with the same name. When this
sort of thread has come up before, I'm sure there have been
debates on other names about whether the famous really were hams
or not.

It's not totally unexpected. People want the recognition of
the hobby that a famous name would seem to provide, so if
they see a famous name, then they accept it as the famous
person without any further consideration.

Michael VE2BVW

465. Re: 13.8 VDC Switching Power Supply Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-20 06:07:07 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3C98270A.749F0318@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4550
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.amateur,alt.ham-radio

hey ken
i have 2 of the SS30s which if i where you i would get that rather than the ss18
better to have to much amps and not need it than to need it and not have it
i am running an icom 706 MrkII and a kenwood TM721 dual band mobile and have had
no problems with either rig and no reports of hums or anyhting nasty on my
signal
and those PS are very light so shipping is cheap on them
so if i where you i would buy as big of a SS you can afford
that way if you get an HF rig or a VHF amp which would draw well over 25 amps
your all set and not have to buy a new power supply

"Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH" wrote:

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> familiar with the Astron RS-20M supply. Unfortunately, I have no experience
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> VHF/UHF?
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> Thanks
> Ken Coghill III, WB4ZOH

466. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-20 17:40:28 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020320124028.25208.00002508@mb-ca.aol.com>
Source record: 4551

Strange that there would be no mention of this radio on Yaesu's website...
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Toms River, NJ USA! Grid FM29ww
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

467. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-20 19:13:15 UTC
From: michael.manning@denewc.ang.af.mil
Message-ID: <14d8594c.0203201113.4b037cd2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4552
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

w2Xup@mindspring.com (Barry) wrote in message
news:<3c97c134.16148566@news.mindspring.com>...
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> >
Joe Walsh of the Eagles....or before the Eagles, "James Gang"

468. For Sale FM Board Omni 5

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-20 23:04:37 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020320180437.12351.00002529@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4553

Sold my Omni 5 but have the FM board available in perfect condition. $90.00 shipped or swap for a Ten Tec 221 filter. Thanks-Lew KlNDV

469. Schematic needed for IC 821

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-20 23:54:25 UTC
From: Steve Forcht <va3sf@rogers.com>
Message-ID: <Ri9m8.19493$oG11.4515@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4554

Does anyone have a copy of the schematic for the Icom IC 821 or know which
pot number is for the devaition control?

Thanks
VA3SF
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For Amateur Radio Links and Programs
http://www.qsl.net/va3sf

470. Norcal 40A qrp /mint

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-21 03:46:26 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020320224626.12245.00002670@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4555

FS: I have a very nice Norcal 40A 40 meter qrp transceiver. It has the built in tick 2 memory keyer. Ive made 20 or 30 qsos with it and was quite surprised at the good performance of it. qsk works well too. Have the manual. Its excess to my needs so I will part with it for $100 shipped and insured. Thanks -Lew KlNDV

471. Re: Famous Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-21 04:36:02 UTC
From: Cathexis@yourhaterols.com
Message-ID: <3c996304.280398989@news.erols.com>
Source record: 4556
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

the Greatest - Smithfield
Reticulum

Remove "your.hat" when replying via e-mail

472. ARNewsline 1283 - March 15 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-21 06:01:17 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020321010117.08627.00004008@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 4557

Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1283 – March 15, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1283 with a release date of Friday, March 15th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Restructuring at the FCC should not impact on Amateur Radio and a first for the Dayton Hamvention. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1283 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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REGULATORY ISSUES : FCC REORGANIZES LATER THIS MONTH

A reorganization of the Federal Communications Commission is set to become final later this month. This, as the agency stresses that realignment of responsibilities between various bureaus will make it more efficient and help it better respond to a changing technological marketplace. Amateur Radio Newsline’s David Black, KB4KCH, takes a look at some of the changes.

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It’s an independent government agency that reports directly to Congress. It’s mission is to regulate communications. One of the services it oversees is Amateur Radio, but most observers of the reorganization of the Federal Communications Commission see little impact on hobby communications.

As part of the reorganization a new Media Bureau will combine the duties of the current Cable and Mass Media bureaus. The goal of the combined bureau? To treat competitors of multiple entertainment delivery systems equally and consistently. This includes broadcasters, cable operators and satellite service providers to name only a few.

Other changes include a renamed Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau. Also, a realigned International Bureau still will handle satellite licensing but most policy issues will now be the domain of the newly created Media Bureau.

These are just a few of many changes taking place. Most appear aimed at commercial interests. For ham radio, C-B, G-M-R-S and most two-way radio users the shift will probably be transparent. In other words, for these spectrum users and most others, it looks like business as usual within a soon to be restructured FCC.

From the South-East Bureau in Birmingham Alabama, I’m David Black, KB4KCH, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline. Don.

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Congress endorsed the plan late last year. The FCC then approved the overhaul in January. The changes will take effect March 25th. You can read more on the web at www.fcc.gov. (ARNewsline (tm) from published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: FCC REFUSES TO SIDE WITH CB'ER IN LOCAL CITATION CASE

The FCC has refused to hear an appeal by an Illinois C-B operator who was convicted of Disorderly Conduct for using an 11 meter Class D Citizens Band Radio. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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Gary D. White is among the first C-B operators dinged under a new authority granted by the Federal Government to states and municipal law enforcement agencies. Authority to control interference caused by operators of Class D 11 Meter C-B radio sets.

White was convicted on a state Disorderly Conduct charge of operating his C-B equipment in an unreasonably loud, offensive, harassing or threatening manner. He was not convicted of violating any FCC rules. White believed that the citation was based on interference to a neighbors telephone and television receiver. This in itself is not a violation of FCC Part 95 rules. And because of this he also believed that local authorities had no justification to sanction him. So he appealed the conviction to the FCC.

But the FCC says that the proof of guilt on the Disorderly conduct allegation is not in its preview to consider. This is because no FCC rules were violated. Also, under a law enacted by Congress in November of 2000, state and local governments are free to enact laws to enforce existing Part 95 Citizens Radio Service rules.

Bottom line. The FCC will not interfere in the case and White will have to find other avenues if he wishes to continue his appeals.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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Congress enacted the law to give state and local authorities enforcement authority over 11 meter C-B operators due to the rising tide of unnecessary and harmful interference to other people using radio devices in near-by spectrum. This includes corded and wireless telephones, television receivers, stereo Hi-Fi sets and other consumer electronic gear. Ham radio is specifically exempted from the law and any ordinance it may be used to create. (W5YI Report)

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HAM RADIO RIGHTS: NM. AND W.VA. JOIN THE PRB-1 BANDWAGON

The ARRL Letter reports that New Mexico and West Virginia have become the 14th and 15th states to adopt pro Amateur Radio antenna bills based on the limited

federal preemption known as PRB-1. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Jeff Clark, K8JAC, reports:

We have this report:

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In New Mexico Governor Gary Johnson signed House Bill 314 on March 5th. This, after it easily passed both houses of the legislature last month with just two opposing votes during a short session that typically only deals with appropriations bills. Called New Mexico's "Emergency Communication Preservation Act" the measure was sponsored by State Representative Mimi Stewart and Senator Ramsay Gorham. It stipulates that municipal or county ordinances regulating Amateur Radio antennas cannot obstruct or preclude amateur radio service communications. Also, that such ordinances shall reasonably accommodate amateur radio service communications.

Here in West Virginia Governor Bob Wise signed House Bill 4335 into law on March 7th. The bill provides that antenna structures may be erected at heights and dimensions sufficient to accommodate amateur radio service communications but does not include a minimum regulatory height schedule. The measure also exempts Amateur Radio antenna towers constructed prior to the effective date from subsequent zoning regulation changes.

From Charleston West Virginia, I’m Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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In signing the West Virginia bill into law, Governor Wise, whose late father held the call sign W-A-8-A-Y-P, also proclaimed March 7 as Amateur Radio Operators Appreciation Day across the state. (ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Northcoast Amateur Radio Club repeater serving Cleveland Ohio.

(5 sec pause here)

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AMERICA AT WAR: NEW TERRORISM ALERT SYSTEM

The United States has a new color-coded terrorism warning system. It was revealed on Tuesday, March 12th by Homeland Security chief Tom Ridge.

The five-level system is a response to public complaints that broad terror alerts issued by the government since the Sept. 11 attacks raised alarm without providing useful guidance. The lowest-status warning is green, followed by blue, yellow, orange and red as the perceived dangers intensify.

As the terrorism warning system was unveiled, Ridge said that the nation is on yellow alert. This means that the United States is facing a significant risk

of danger but not the highest stage.

The alert system is in force immediately for federal agencies, and Ridge is urging state and local governments to adopt it, too. It will be subject to a 45-day comment period, after which it probably will be revised. It’s not known what part if any Amateur Radio will play in the new enhanced terrorism alert scheme. (Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: TAKE THAT UNCOORDINATED REPEATER OFF THE AIR

The FCC has told the operator of an uncoordinated North Carolina repeater to stop interfering with a coordinated machine, even if it means immediately taking his system off the air. This is the edict handed down to the operators of the NY4X repeater by FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH.

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Hollingsworth: “ We also notified Richard Howell, NY4X, of Greer South Carolina and John Parker, AG4AZ, of Brevard Norrth Carolina that upon reciept of the letter, the NY4X repeater that they operate had to either shut down, obtain coordination or submit a detailed plan to the Commission to prevent interference to the KU4OL [repeater].”

“Now this interference has been going on for quite some time. We notified Parker and Howell back in November that something had to be done. Nothing was accomplished in regard to coordination and nothing was done in regard to the interference.”
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Hollingsworth letter says that Howell and Parker had more than ample time to fulfill their obligation under Section 97.205 of the Commission’s rules. And late word is that the repeater has been shut down. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: TAKE THAT BROKEN REPEATER OFF THE AIR

The NY4X repeater is not the only machine currently under FCC scrutiny. Another one is in Northern California. This one is having technical problems and is causing interference to machines on adjacent channel pairs. Again, the FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH:

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Hollingsworth: “We notified Wendall Peterson of Walnut Creek California, operator of the K6POU repeater that more than enough time has elapsed for him to correct the technical and control problems with the repeater. His earlier response to our inquiry showed that the bandwidth was indeed so wide that it caused problems to two other repeaters. We have gotten complaints about that. And the repeater system is just not operating in accordance with good Amateur practice.”
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Hollingsworth says that his office expects the problems with the repeater to be corrected or that the machine will be taken off the air. He also gave Peterson 20 days from the date of his letter to respond. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: THE RESPONSIBILITY OF REPEATER OWNERS

The FCC enforcement involving the NY4X and K-6POU repeaters are just the latest in a series of actions aimed at cleaning up the problems that have been plaguing the F-M community. Whether it's an uncoordinated repeater causing havoc to a coordinated machine, or a long established system in need of maintenance, the FCC's Hollingsworth says responsibility comes with repeater ownership:

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Hollingsworth: "We want to emphasize that repeaters are voluntary. Nobody has to put one up. But if you do put one up you have a responsibility to maintain it, to get coordination if that's necessary, and to operate in accordance with good Amateur practices, especially if other repeaters are being detrimentally affected."
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In reality, the only things the FCC is asking of those who own and operate repeaters is to be good neighbors and to adhere to the proper technical standards. In this way, the repeaters themselves can better serve their service area and the ham radio community in it. (FCC, RAIN)

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RESCUE RADIO: KNOWING WHERE YOU ARE IN THE MID WEST

If you drive the highways and by-ways of Kentucky, you need never worry again about where you are. And if you get in a bind, rescuers will be able to find you. That is, if you are a ham radio operator equipped with a mobile APRS station. Jack Parker, W8ISH, of Amateur News Weekly, says that in his part of the world it is a mode that is truly coming of age:

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Good news from the Kentuckey Automatic Position Reporting Society" their network of APRS digipeters is growing like well bred Kentucky Race Horses.

According to Brian Walker, KC4FIE, several new sites will be coming on line very soon. New digi's are planned for Grand Rivers, Morgantown, Owensboro, Lawrenceburg, and Dry Ridge to name a few.

The Murry State University club has added a digipeter and two stations along the Kentuckey – Tennessee border have extended APRS coverage into that state. These efforts effective extend the Mid-West network of APRS digipeters established by the Tri-State Working Group in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

If you need more information on the Automatic Position Reporting System just check the APRS Working Group website at www.tawg.org.

Reporting for Amateur News Weekly, this is Jack Parker, W8ISH.

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With interest in A-P-R-S growing and ham gear that includes the mode as a standard feature, look for a defacto nationwide network to be in place by the end of the decade. (ANW)

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HAMVENTION 2002: HAM TESTS WILL BE AT THE HARA

The Dayton Hamvention has asked that we pass along a correction to some information in its recently mailed pre-show brochure. The pamphlet incorrectly lists Meadowdale High School as the venue for Amateur Radio license exams. This is incorrect. The Hamvention says that all license exams will be held at the HARA Arena Hamvention site. (Hamvention(r))

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HAMVENTION 2002: QCWA BANQUET

And attention QCWA members. This years annual banquet in conjunction with the Dayton Hamvention will be hosted by the South West Ohio chapter and will be held on Friday, May 17th. The venue is Alex's Continental Restaurant near Miamisburg. Starting time is 7:30 P.M. and reservations are required.

This years speaker will be General Raymond Moorman. He will be talking about the United States Air Force Museum and plans for the upcoming Centennial of Flight celebration in 2003. For more information and to make reservations please contact Ed Sonnanstine by e-mail to EdSonny@aol.com (QCWA)

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CONVENTIONS - UTAH: UTAH HAMFEST

The 2002 Rocky Mountain Division ARRL Convention and 2002 Utah Hamfest will be held July 12th to the 14th at Ruby's Inn at Bryce, Utah. The venue is near Bryce Canyon National Park. For more information please visit www.utahhamfest.org on the world wide web. (Utah Hamfest)

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CONFERENCES: ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

Technical papers are being solicited for presentation at the 21st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference. The event will be held this September in Denver, Colorado. Presentations will also be publicized in the Conference Proceedings. Submission of papers is due by August 5th and in-person presentation at the conference is not required for publication. Conference registration and additional details are available on the web at www.tapr.org/dcc (TAPR, ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: HELPING HAND NET

We want to take a moment to welcome a new and very interesting net to the Amateur Radio Newsline family. It is on the AD6XK repeater here in Los Angeles California on 145.440 MHz.

What makes this net very special is that its Control Operator Simon Rosconi, K6DXN, is visually impaired. According to Dave Estrada, KD6HDX, Rosconi lost his vision at age 6. Estrada says that even without sight, Rosconi works 40 hours a week, and still finds time to volunteer his time as control operator for the nets.

But Rosconi is not the only vision impaired ham involved. Estrada tells Amateur Radio Newsline that Brian Coponiti, KG6BVO, who is also partially blind, has also volunteered. Coponiti downloads and plays back Amateur Radio Newsline to the net.

Estrada adds that this particular repeater group also has two other operators that are visually impaired. They are Gary La Duke, WB6WJW and Ivan Simer, K6TTA. (KD6HDX)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: EDWARD T. CLEGG, W8LOY FAMILY CELEBRATION

A few weeks ago we told you about plans by the family of the late Edward T. Clegg, W8LOY, to celebrate the life of this ham radio pioneer. The gathering is being planned by Ed’s widow Martie, her daughter Linda and Linda’s husband Rob Mc Guffie, K2HZN. Recently, RAIN producer Hap Holly, KC9RP, had a chance to speak with Rob about the upcoming event:

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Hap conducted an extensive interview with Rob Mc Guffie. It really tells the whole story of Ed Clegg and his famed Clegg Labs. Part 1 is online right now at www.rainreport.com or by telephone at 847-827-7246. (RAIN)

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RADIO REGULATIONS: AVOIDING A PHONE NUMBER CRUNCH

The nation's supply of telephone phone numbers is depleting rapidly and the government is taking steps to make sure what is left lasts longer. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has more:

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Over the past several years, area codes have multiplied to cope with the

explosion in technology. Regions have responded by splitting up area codes among geographic areas or laying another area code over an existing one.

But in 1996 the Federal Communications Commission banned such overlays dedicated to specific kinds of technology. The Commission enacted the ban because it considered separate area codes for cellular telephones phones and pagers unfair to wireless companies and their customers. This is because everyone would have to dial 10 digits instead of seven to reach wireless customers.

But states including California, Massachusetts and Ohio had been been asking for ways to prevent existing area codes from running out of phone numbers, the agency said. The FCC says that it will now hear proposals from states on how they intend to conserve area codes on a case-by-case basis, including plans to use technology-specific area codes.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, in West Orange New Jersey.

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The FCC, which is responsible for overseeing the supply of phone numbers, says that without action the number pool will run out in less than ten years. (FCC)

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: A NEW HOME FOR VERTEX STANDARD/YAESU

Vertex Standard USA, better known in ham radio circles as Yaesu, is moving to a huge, beautiful new facility. The new address is Vertex Standard U-S-A, 10900 Walker Street, Cypress, California, 90630. The new main phone number is area code 714-827-7600. All e-mail addresses will remain the same but telephone extensions will change. Vertex Standard makes the move -- no joke -- on Monday, April 1st. (Vertex-Standard)

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INTERNATIONAL-CANADA: VE7BFK IS NEW RAC ARDF COORDINATOR

Radio Amateurs of Canada has named Gordon Young, VE7BFK as it's news R-A-C National Amateur Radio Direction Finding Coordinator. Young replaces Perry Creighton, VA7PC who held that appointment for the past several years. (RAC)

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CONTESTS: SOUTH WEST OKLAHOMA SPRINTS

The first ever South West Oklahoma Spring Sprints sponsored by the Lawton VHF Contesting Club will take place in just a few weeks. Sprints are short period contests held primarily on a specific band or using a specific mode. The South West Oklahoma Spring Sprints are band exclusive. The 2 meter sprint is on April 1st from 7 pm to 11 p.m. Central U-S time. The 70 centimeter sprint is April 13th also from 7 to 11 Central. Both are open to all Oklahoma hams living south of Interstate highway 40 and West of Interstate 35. For more

information e-mail ne0p@arrl.net (VHF Reflector)

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In DX, K8PT and K3PLV are in the Channel Islands and operating as MJ slash K8PT and MJ slash K3PLV from Jersey through the 19th of March. The emphasis is on CW and RTTY in the WARC bands during daylight and 30, 40 and 80 meters during the evenings. Q-S-L as directed on the air. (RSGB)

Also word that Laurence Howell, GM4DMA, who is now resident in Anchorage, Alaska, will be travelling to warmer climates. This, as part of his work for the youth development charity Raleigh International. Howell say that he plans to be active as V51 slash G4DMA from Namibia from the 16th of March for two weeks. Look for him on 160 through 6 meters as his work schedule allows. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A WEDDING AT HAMVENTION 2002

And finally this week, get ready for a first. The first ever wedding to be held at the Dayton Hamvention.

No, we are not kidding. For the first time in Hamvention history, wedding vows will be exchanged at the show. This as Cyndi Krieger and Mark Elliot, N8WZW, will be married Saturday, May 18th at the HARA Arena during Hamvention 2002.

Mark and Cyndi met about thirteen years ago through a mutual friend. On their first date Mark and Cyndi went out for dinner and a movie. According to Hamvention sources, they have been an "item" ever since.

Mark introduced Cyndi to amateur radio by going to a hamfest. Cyndi had no idea what a hamfest was, but it sounded interesting. It was and she was hooked! Cyndi is now studying for her license and may test for it before Hamvention weekend.

Why get married at Hamvention? Mark and Cyndi couldn't think of a better place to share their love for each other and for amateur radio than by getting married at the world's largest amateur radio trade show. The ceremony takes place at 3 PM in Forum Room 3 immediately following the Amateur Radio Newsline produced Ham Radio Town Meeting. (Hamvention (r))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the Dayton Hamvention, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline@arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937,

Arcadia, California 91066.

Before we go, a reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year is now open. No significant changes from last year. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

473. Re: Famous Hams (A bit OT!)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-21 13:03:28 UTC
From: Terry <tsanford@nf.sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <3C99DA20.C248DBE1@nf.sympatico.ca>
Source record: 4558
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

Scott Dorsey wrote:

> Even the youngest of schoolchildren has been taught that Vikings appeared
> on the American continent as early as the eighth century AD, although of
> course AM modulation was okay back then.

As a resident of Canada's most easterly province thank you for the mention of the oldest yet discovered Viking settlement in North America. It is/was at Lanse Aux Meadows on the tip of the Great Northern Peninsula of the island portion of this Canadian province, of Newfoundland and Labrador. Their leader was Leif Erikson sp? (Eric the Red?) Lanse Aux M ..... actually means "Bay of Jellyfishes", from the Spanish/Portuguese 'Meduse' for jellyfish which are still abundant today.

And the Portuguese and Spanish etc. were over here too! Including Basque whaling stations at Red Bay Labrador well before the mid 1400s! But that's another bit of history.

I guess Leif's call sign would have been V1KNG! Strictly manual operation though.

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And oh yes, they got into squabbles with the existing residents, whom they called 'Skraelings'; I guess today we would use the term 'First Nations People' or perhaps 'Original or Aboriginal Inhabitants' who had been here we gather for thousands of years!

I would imagine that the Vikings were using 'Muscle Power' at the rate of about half a kilowatt per oar per hour; plus wind power. BTW the Viking voyages were commemorated some years ago by modern day adventurers who used satellite navigation, amateur radio and more comfortable living

conditions!

There is also some historical indication that the Irish monk, St. Brendan journeyed to North America in an open leather boat made from sewn cattle skins, tallow etc. around the year 840 AD, before the Vikings! That was also re-enacted some years ago. Thus proving that those voyages were possible even if dangerous with the technology available back then. No coastguard watch on 2182 kilocycles or Transatlantic jets overhead monitoring 121.5 megacycles, daily skeds on 20 metres etc. back then, eh?

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Terry.

A few miles from where, more recently, in December 1901, Marconi received the first transatlantic wireless telegraph signal at St. John's Newfoundland from Cornwall England.

474. test3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-21 18:13:19 UTC
From: ASNAR <agustinb@grapesadsl.com>
Message-ID: <a7d7s1kbl1@news.comunitel.net>
Source record: 4559

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475. Schematic needed Alinco ALR22T

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-22 01:20:34 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <barrykooda@YAHOO.COM>
Message-ID: <CFvm8.2081$v42.1118@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4560
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Does anyone have a schematic for this 2m FM rig. Alinco was no help, emailed them a year ago and nothing.

All of a sudden this one gets very insensitive on receive. It's intermittant, appears to be maybe a thermal problem, not mechanical. Receiver goes from full scale receive of a local station or repeater signal to no bars and barely above the noise floor. Example a local 3 miles away hits full scale on 3 watts, when the recieve drops out he has to crank it up to 100 watts before I can hear him and then it's only 2 bars.

It's not antenna related, different feed lines, different antennas, SWR bridge in line at all times no change at all in output signal. Problem is somewhere in the front end. Any ideas?

476. Re: Yaesu FT-101 Tube Question..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-22 02:14:15 UTC
From: RaOuL <russ@bit-net.nospam.com>
Message-ID: <Bswm8.670$_T4.5364@news.bit-net.com>
Source record: 4561

It's been many years since I had my old Yaesu FT-101, but as I remember the output from a properly tuned transmitter was about 100 watts CW. As far as a source of replacement 6JS-6 tubes, I'm afraid I don't have any good answer for you. I'm sure that within a few days this thread will be full of useful replies from others who know far more that I do... I'm pretty sure though, that once the new tubes are in you'll have to go through and neutralize the final section in the power amp section. The best I can say is good luck and I'm sure that when you get your Yaesu on the air you'll love it - it's a great radio!

73,
RaOuL

"John Phelps" <chilinvilin@webtv.net> wrote in message
news:28768-3C9A84F5-69@storefull-613.iap.bryant.webtv.net...
> I just got this Yaesu 101 with the YC-601 frequency counter. The thing
> lights up and receives real well but the guy I got it from says the
> tubes need to be replaced so I haven't transmitted on it.
> I pulled the tubes out and the two final tubes (Labelled 6JS6A Toshiba)
> have what looks like some glass rattling around inside them. The driver
> tube (Labelled 12BY7A) seems fine.
> Question is where can I get these tubes?
> After replacing them what will be the output wattage of this unit?
> Thanks in advance....
> L8ter,
> JP
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477. Yaesu Ft-102

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-22 04:13:31 UTC
From: yaesufan2@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020321231331.17196.00000511@mb-mq.aol.com>
Source record: 4562

I was wondering if anyone knows the 11 meter mod for the ft-102? Any info would be greatly appreciated.

Frank

478. Re: Famous Hams (A bit OT!)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-22 04:32:01 UTC
From: Cathexis@yourhaterols.com
Message-ID: <3c9ab359.366512443@news.erols.com>
Source record: 4563
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

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>And the Portuguese and Spanish etc. were over here too!
>Including Basque whaling stations at Red Bay Labrador well
>before the mid 1400s!

The mid-1400's. But that's what the man said, AM was Okay
back then.

Andrew

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Reticulum

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479. Manuals on site >> read me

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-22 09:23:18 UTC
From: F5LCY <f5lcy@libertysurf.fr>
Message-ID: <a7etam$2i8n$2@news6.isdnet.net>
Source record: 4564

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Can be found at :
http://f6keh.free.fr/index_r
MANUALS then AMATEUR RADIO
Numerous links
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480. Need information from old (60's-70's callbook)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 00:13:30 UTC
From: Donald Anderson <pita@outrageous.net>
Message-ID: <3c9bc616$1_3@corp.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 4565

I am looking for information on a recent SK. His calll was W6DSX. I am trying to find out when he was licensed and when he listed his QTH as Ridgecrest Dr. in Paradise, Ca. If you can help me in any way I would be most greatful.

Any listing with any address and the date would also help a great deal. This ham was my mentor. I lost tract of him and than discovered he was a SK and I am writing a ahort paper and ned the info...
tnx and 73
donald wk6q
Paradise, ca

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481. Re: Yaesu FT-101 Tube Question..

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 03:01:29 UTC
From: whagen6@cs.com
Message-ID: <20020322220129.29001.00000382@mb-mg.news.cs.com>
Source record: 4566

do a yahoo search for 6js6a, and ask the responses if they still have matched pairs, some do, around75$.
Also, they turn up on ebay from time to time.
There is also a website dedicated to the ft101and siblings. Do you need the 160 meter crystal?, I bought one for mine, and got an extra.
kc6ufe

482. Re: Need information from old (60's-70's callbook)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 14:00:27 UTC
From: aa5qt@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020323090027.29941.00002027@mb-cq.aol.com>
Source record: 4567

W6DSX from Fall 1962 Callbook:

Charles K. Morgan
4758 Skyway , Box 201
Paradise

73, Gary K5QT

483. Mounting 2m Mobile in the car...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 16:15:36 UTC
From: John Gubernard <jtg@intac.com>
Message-ID: <hU1n8.88981$rr6.1384588@news.webusenet.com>
Source record: 4568

OK, I'm wondering if there is anayone who can give me good advice on installing my Alinco DR-112 2m mobile in my vehicle. I have to admit that this is my 1st mobile installation and that I want to make sure that I can do it right and safely, for both my radio and my vehicle. Any suggestions would be appreciated! Thanks!

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John Gubernard, K2LSX
jtg@intac.com

484. WTB: Paddle/ twin lever

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 17:54:25 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020323125425.25217.00002567@mb-ca.aol.com>
Source record: 4569

WTB: Dual paddle in good shape but not Bencher or Vibroplex. Woulkd like wbl,schurr wabbla, march, or what have you? Thanks-Lew KlNDV

485. Re: Mounting 2m Mobile in the car...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 18:52:24 UTC
From: Astro <tomhob@overland.net>
Message-ID: <H94n8.2236$JFw2.127205454@news2.randori.com>
Source record: 4570

John,

You can hook the power lines directly to your battery; ie, red wire to the positive terminal and the black line to a good 'body' ground of your car. Use an 'inline' fuse to protect your radio as a precaution. You can use velcro to place it in your car "maybe" and that makes for easy removal when you want to take it out.

If you are going to be using the 2mtr mobile in more than one car; you, can use a cigarette lighter adapter to power the radio.

Tom
K0TH

486. Re: Mounting 2m Mobile in the car...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 19:09:06 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <3C9CD2D2.A6B54D66@dialpoint.net>
Source record: 4571

It is usually bad advice to use a cigarett lighter plug for most of the ham radios. They can draw more current on the high power setting than the plug is rated for . Best bet is to use some plugs rated to handle the full current. Also due to the small wiring used in the cars it is usually best to go to the battery with the 30 watt and up rigs.

I like to go to the battery with a heavy (atleast # 12 wire) for the plus. Usually put in a relay that is rated for the current and have the coil activate off something that comes on with the switch. Be sure to put a lorge fuse as near the battery as you can. Then ground the negative wire to the metel of the car. If you do run a wire to the battery for the negative lead then put a fuse in that line also. While it is almost unheard of , it for some reason you do loose the negative lead of the battery to the chassie then it will protect the radio. If you hook the negative radio lead directly to the frame you do not have to fuse this lead or worry about it.

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> > If you are going to be using the 2mtr mobile in more than one car; you, can
> > use a cigarette lighter adapter to power the radio.
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> > Tom
> > K0TH

487. Re: Mounting 2m Mobile in the car...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-23 19:40:09 UTC
From: "Paul J. Wolsko" <pwolsko@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <tS4n8.58990$bj1.18583862@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4572

I've had bad experience with Velcro and 2m units in vehicles - both the regular Velcro and the beefed-up "Industrial grade" Velcro. They're fine in the winter, but the glue tends to get softened with the summer hear in a vehicle, causing the rig to fall off its mooring under the dash or wherever.

Paul, KC2FNC

"Astro" <tomhob@overland.net> wrote in message news:H94n8.2236$JFw2.127205454@news2.randori.com...
> John,
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> You can hook the power lines directly to your battery; ie, red wire to the
> positive terminal and the black line to a good 'body' ground of your car.
> Use an 'inline' fuse to protect your radio as a precaution. You can use
> velcro to place it in your car "maybe" and that makes for easy removal when
> you want to take it out.
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> If you are going to be using the 2mtr mobile in more than one car; you, can
> use a cigarette lighter adapter to power the radio.
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> Tom
> K0TH
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488. ARNewsline 1284 - March 22 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 01:11:58 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020323201158.07580.00000704@mb-fi.aol.com>
Source record: 4573

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1284 - March 22 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1284 with a release date of
Friday, March 22nd, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio and the FCC join forced to find a wayward transmitter jamming a fire department radio. This story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1284 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS ASSIST IN TRACKING DOWN WAYWARD TRANSMITTER

Ham radio operators teamed up with the FCC to track down a wayward transmitter. One that was making communications very difficult for the Fallbrook California fire department. It took place the weekend of March 10th. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the rest of the story:

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Milt Davies, KD6UBA, is Division Chief of the North County Fire Protection District. He was the first to identify the problem as radio frequency interference.

Davis described the annoying signal as being an unmodulated carrier pock-marked with strange data-like bursts. Sometimes the jamming transmitter was on-the-air all the time. Sometimes it was on and off. And at still other times the signal almost disappeared - transmitting only a few seconds in a 10 or 20 minute span.

Davies recognized the problem as on-channel jamming. He also knew that he needed outside help. That's when the FCC and the local ham radio community were notified.

First to try was the FCC. As you know, the agency has a series of permanent direction finding stations on the West Coast. These can be operated by remote control from Washington, D.C..

The FCC's weekend duty officer attempted to pinpoint the source of the interference using them, but with only partial success. Some of the locations were down for servicing. The result was a single line-of-bearing. This meant that the interfering transmitter could be anywhere along a 45 mile path.

To help home-in on the transmitter's location, members of the Palomar Amateur Radio Club were called out. They were asked to listen to the fire dispatch frequency and give signal strength reports on the unmodulated carrier. These

reports, coupled with the FCC's own line-of-bearing, pointed to the City of Vista, or vicinity.

Now the hunt again became the domain of the FCC. Bill Zears, the District Director in charge of the FCC's San Diego Field Office, arrived with a sophisticated direction finding vehicle. Zears drove to Fallbrook for his first good bearing. That sent him off toward the rugged eastern portion of Vista.

At about the same time, a fire broke out in the Camp Pendleton military complex which borders Fallbrook. The jamming signal was preventing firefighters working the Pendleton fire from communicating directly with their Dispatch Center.

Zears stayed on the job as Sunday afternoon turned into evening. Finally, enough direction finding bearings were available to pinpoint the wayward transmitter to a 30' tower atop a hill in east Vista.

The Vista Fire Department was called. The Battalion Chief on duty offered immediate help. It turns out that a local ham had brought him up-to-speed on the interference case earlier in the day.

Then another ham recalled that the City of Vista once had a transmitter up on the suspect peak. That old VHF transmitter dated back to the days before most communications had moved to the 800 MHz band. He also knew that the old box just happened to be tuned to Fallbrook's current VHF dispatch frequency - because that was Vista Fire's old frequency!

The crew lost no time in getting up the hill and confirming the location of the offending transmitter. Nobody knows why power was still connected. Probably an oversight by some long forgotten radio installer. None the less, it caused the Vista's Fire Department to unintentionally jam Fallbrook, but pulling the power plug made the interference go away.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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Thanks to the cooperation of everyone involved and the tenacity of FCC District Director Bill Zears, the situation had a happy ending. (W6VR)

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OLYMPICS FOLLOW-UP: HANDI-HAM CARRIES OLYMPIC FLAME

The 2002 Winter Olympics may be over, but now comes word that a visually impaired ham radio operator was among those who had the honor of carrying the Olympic Torch.

Kitty Hevener, WB8TDA, and her trusty guide dog SunStar, carried the Olympic Flame on Saturday January 19th. This, as it made its way to Salt Lake City Uath. Kitty’s segment took the flame up to the gates of Fort Point, in the shadow of San Francisco California’s Golden Gate Bridge.

According to the Handi Hams, Kitty Hevener, WB8TDA, is active with that group as well. Handi Hams says that she is a regular volunteer at the annual California Radio Camp held at Camp Joan Mier in Malibu California every March.

You can see photos of WB8TDA carrying the Olympic Torch at www.graystuff.com/gallery/kitty. (HandiHams)

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ECONOMICS: JAPANS ECONOMIC RECESSION MAY AFFECT RADIO PRICES

The price of ham radio gear and other goods manufactured in Japan may soon change, but its unclear if it will be up or down. This on word that Japan's economy has fallen into the worst recession in at least two decades. The last time the Japanese economy contracted for three quarters straight was in 1993, when it shrank at around 0.1 percent each quarter. Before that, Japan had never seen even two back-to-back quarters of contraction - the usual definition of a recession - since the government began keeping such records in 1980. (ARNewsline(tm) from published news reports and ARNewsline(tm)interviews.)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: WSJT TAKING ON THE WORLD

Meantime, a new mode of operation seems to be taking Amateur Radio by storm. We have reported on it before: WSJT. And it lets everyone get in on what used to be the esoteric operation called meteor scatter. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, looks at the way WSJT is taking on the world:

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WSJT is a digital mode, designed specifically for meteor scatter communications. It stands for Weak Signal communications by Joe Taylor K1JT. Its advantage for is that it sends extremely fast in a standard SSB bandwidth at 147 characters per second or about 1700 words per minute. By virtue of this speed it is possible to send two call signs and a signal report in a tenth of a second meteor ping.

The equipment to make WSJT contacts is fairly modest. A two meter SSB transceiver and a computer -- a Pentium, at least 75 MHz is the main hardware required. Then you need a simple PSK-31 interface box, as described in March 2000 AR magazine and some WSJT software.

An RF power output of 50 is the practical minimum, with 100 watts providing a worthwhile improvement. A major advantage with WSJT is the small antenna system required. A five element Yagi will do as well as a 10 element Yagi.

From Q-News Australia, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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More information and the necessary software is at the official WSJT website. Its in cyberspace at pulsar.princeton.edu/~joe/K1JT. (Q-News)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the CARES repeater on 146.73 MHz and serving Gulfport Mississippi.

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ENFORCEMENT: THAT CHARGE SHOULD NEVER HAVE BEEN FILED

The FCC has told a Midway, Tennessee ham that his complaint about a club repeater has no basis in fact:

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Hollingsworth: “We dismissed a complaint filed by Jeffrey Bible, K4MFD, of Midway Tenneseee. His complaint was against the Andrew Johnson Radio Club repeater W4WC which is located on an adjacent tower.”

“We found that despite allegations, the W4WC repeater had not lost coordination just because of a move. The move was within the coordinators limits. In fact, the repeaters have been operating for years with no problems.”

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That was the FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH who also says that both parties are coordinated, so both will have to work together to solve any interference that might arise. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC REFUSES TO INTERVENE IN ATV REPEATER DISPUTE

The FCC has also declined to intervene in a dispute involving two Mid-West Amateur Television repeaters. One owned by a major radio club and the other by an individual. The main reason. There is no coordination for ATV in the area. The FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth explains:

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Hollingsworth: We notified Adrian Oaks, KB8GRJ, of Xenia Ohio that we would not get involved in a dispute that he has with the Dayton amateur Radio Association over the operation of an ATV repeater. Dayton’s repeater, W8BI, has started occasionally operating on frequencies registered to Oaks. I emphasize registered nor coordinated. There is no coordination program there for ATV repeaters. But there’s no showing of actual interference.”

“DARA uses it for 20 to 45 minutes a week. It makes the repeater codes available to all so that anyone receiving interference can shut off the repeater. It is (also) willing to adjust operating times to accommodate other ATV users.”
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Hollingswoth says that there is no real conflict and therefore the situation does not warrant any FCC enforcement action. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: PRE OPERATION LEADS TO LICENSE SETASIDE

The FCC has told a newly licensed ham that his license grant has been set aside. In a letter to John A Green, KG4RFI, of Mobile Alabama, the commission says that it has information which indicates that he operated on the W4IAX repeater and was also heard at various times on repeaters on 146.685 and 147.090 MHz in the Baldwin County area. The FCC says that all of these transmissions were made during a time that Green did not hold am Amateur service license.

Green was given twenty days from the date of the FCC letter to him to write back and explain certain issues. This includes any instances between the cancellation of his General Class license on September 14, 2001 and the grant of his Technician Class license on January 24, 2002 in which he operated any Amateur Radio transmitting equipment. (FCC)

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BAMES IN THE NEWS: KD7DDG LOOSES AZ MAYORAL RACE

A follow-up to the story of Tim Weaver, KD7DDG, who was running for the office of Mayor of Glendale Arizona. Well, the votes have been counted and Weaver was not successful in his bid to oust the eight year incumbent Mayor who had the backing of the firefighters union.

The count showed that Weaver had polled only about 24% of the votes needed. Weaver says that the results were disappointing, but respectable for someone outspent and out-volunteered. (RAIN)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RAIN CONTINUES CLEGG RETROSPECTIVE

Hap Holly, KC9RP tells ius that this weeks RAIN Report is part two of a retrospective look at famed ham radio pioneer Edward T. Clegg, W8LOY. This as seen through the eyes of his son-in-law Rob Mc Guffie, K2HZN. Its on line right now in digital streaming audio at www.rainreport.com or analog telephone audio at 827-847-7246. (RAIN)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: N9RLA FIRST CENTRAL DIVISION ROVER CERTIFICATE

Some names in the news. First is Dan Evans, N9RLA, who has taken first place as a rover station in the ARRL Central Division. This in the June 2001 VHF contest. Dan is from Scottsburg Indiana. (VHF Reflector)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: K8JAC NAMED KANAWHA HAM OF THE YEAR

Also, congratulations to Amateur Radio Newsline's own Jeff Clark, K8JAC. This, after being named Kanawha Valley Amateur Radio Operator of the Year 2002.

A ham since 1981, Clark's Amateur Radio volunteer activities include the post of Emergency Coordinator of Kanawha County, West Virginia. He is also Publicity Director of the Kanawha Amateur Radio Club, editor of the clubs newsletter and technical coordinator of the W8GK repeater. But thats not all. The local ARES group, which Clark coordinates receives high marks from county officials and is often called on to provide communications during civic events and emergencies.

Clark received his award on Saturday, March 16th at Charleston Hamfest. Another Amateur Radio Newsline anchor, Jim Damron, N8TMW, had the honor of making the presentation to K8JAC. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: WA6ITF TO SPEAK IN JOPLIN MO

Amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, will be the featured banquet speaker on Saturday April 13th at the Joplin Hamfest. The venue is the John Q. Hammon Trade Center in Joplin Missouri.

Situated about halfway between Tulsa Oklahoma and Kansas City, the Joplin Hamfest is a 200+ table event. It also features spacious parking with easy access, wide aisles, forums, ham radio testing and prizes.

Interested? More information is on the web at www.joplin-arc.org. (ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

Here when you need us 52 weeks a year. We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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ANNIVERSARY: HAPPY 20TH ANNIVERSARY HEIL SOUND

This week marks the 20th anniversary of a very special company. We are talking about Heil Sound Limited. And when you talk about Heil Sound, you are really talking about its founder Bob Heil, K9EID.

Over the years, Bob Heil has been an audio consultant, an inventor, a musician and lots more. Looking back, He says that everything harkens back to his first love. His hobby. Amateur Radio:

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Heil: "It's been an incredible ride from a little kid playing pipe organ in the Fox (theater)n through playing with my Harvey-Wells and SX-99 which I still have, and understanding what it took to make all of these things.

“Then I started building different transmitters and then started building sound equipment.”

“We actually changed the world. We are the guys that figured out how you stack and hang speakers. Why? Because I could set up a Rohn 25G (tower) and hang speakers higher than anybody else because of my ham radio.”

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After years of touring with such number one acts as the Eagles, Bob decided to give something back to the hobby that had lead to his success. Thats how Heil Sound Limited was born.

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Heil: My life has evolved around 45 years of being K9EID, and I will always be so grateful to everybody in this hobby for allowing me to do my thing and along the way to help someone. Thats the bottom line that we are able to help somebody and it makes me real happy to be able to do that.”
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Bob is now celebrating the beginning of the company’s third decade with a number of new and innovative products for every aspect of ham radio voice operations. You will get to see all of them in a few weeks and meet Bob in person at Hamvention 2002. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HANDI HAMS: E-NEWSLETTER MAILING CHANGE

The Handi Hams says that it is changing the way in which the groups weekly e-letter is being distributed in HTML format. According to Handi Hams Pat Tice, WAZ0TDA, constant barrages of virus threats to Microsoft Outlook makes it risky to continue maintaining the HTML list in Microsoft Outlook. So the group is moving its list to a mailer called Group Mail. This says Tice will be bring with it minimal risk of sending a virus to the group of HTML subscribers. The text subscribers continue to receive the e-letter through Yahoo Groups. (HandiHams)

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EVENTS: 2002 WEAK SIGNAL BANQUET

Tom Whitted, WA8WZG, reports over the VHF Reflector that tickets are now on sale for the 10th annual Weak Signal Banquet. This year the gathering will again be held in Dayton Ohio on Hamvention weekend. If you are interested in attending, more information is in cyberspace at www.wa8wzg.com. (VHF Reflector)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: RAC SM ELECTION RESULTS

From our neighbors to the North comes word that Tom Caithness, VE1GT is the interim Section Manager for Canada’s Maritime Provences. He was elected for a two-year term, which began March 1st.

Also, Derek Hay, VE4HAY was recently re-elected Section Manager in the Manitoba for a two-year term snd Joe Craig, VO1NA has been re-elected Section Manager for the Newfoundland and Labrador Section for a two-year term. Both take office on July 1st.

All three ran unopposed in their respective Radio Amateurs of Canada sections. This eliminated the need for a balloted election. (RAC)

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DX

In D-X, the big story is of coarse Ducie Island. The VP6DI team came on the air on March 17th and its was bedlam. Take a listen.

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audio here
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Ducie Island is a small, uninhabited atoll in the South Pacific and is part of the Pitcarin Island chain. It is also among the rarest DXCC entities in the world as proven by the recording you just heard. It was made in Australia by VK4DX using a Kenwood TS-570D transceiver and posted to his contest website. (Audio courtesy VK4DX)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: ARDF CHAMPIONSHIPS IN ATLANTA

And finally this week, the calendar says that its spring and hams around the country are turning to outdoor activities such as new antennas and hidden transmitter hunting. Here's your chance to prove you're the best at the latter activity, as Newsline's Joe Moell K0OV explains:

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The biggest annual event in on-foot hidden transmitter hunting is early this year, so time is getting short if you want to take part.

The Second USA ARDF Championships will be April 19-21 at Franklin Roosevelt State Park near Pine Mountain, Georgia. That's about 70 miles southwest of the Atlanta airport. No matter what your level of skill or experience at radio-orienteering, you'll be welcome. Experts will be vying for positions on Team USA as it travels to Slovakia for the World Championships later this year. Beginners will be picking up the best RDF techniques from these experts, and learning how to put on similar events in their home towns.

The official deadline to register for the national championships is April 6, but Georgia Orienteering Club urges you to let them know you're coming by March 29, so they can plan food for the picnic supper on Friday and the spaghetti dinner on Saturday.

Learn more about what it's like to be in the ARDF Championships by reading about last year's event in the March issue of QST, and in December and January's issues of 73 Magazine. There's lots more on the subject at my Web site -- www.homingin.com -- plus a link to the registration site for the Pine

Mountain events. That's homingin -- one word -- homingin.com

From sunny southern California, where we're soon having our third practice session of the year to get ready for the championships, this is Joe Moell K-zero-Oscar-Victor for Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Again, that website is www.homingin.com (K0OV)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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Before we go, a reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year is now open. No significant changes from last year. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Roy Neal, K6DUE, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

489. Re: Mounting 2m Mobile in the car...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 01:39:23 UTC
From: John Gubernard <jtg@intac.com>
Message-ID: <R8an8.95710$rr6.1616663@news.webusenet.com>
Source record: 4574

Thanks for the advice! I will take this into account when I permanently
wire the rig into the car.

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John Gubernard, K2LSX
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Date: 2002-03-24 02:08:28 UTC
From: johnb <borregoj@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <3C9D3662.2030401@sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4575

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491. Kenwood TS-440 xmit audio monitor mod needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 03:29:29 UTC
From: notsure <gperk@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <tKbn8.282153$TV4.37786002@typhoon.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4576
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Fine folks,

I am looking for a mod for a Kenwood TS-440...
xmit audio monitor... not cw sidetone, already have
that built into the rig. This is for SSB work. I saw
a mod on the net being advertised by someone not
too long ago and now I am interested in getting it.

It would really help when working with headphones
or to monitor my own xmit audio quality to be sure
I am not overdriving or that audio level is good, etc...

Does anyone know where to find this kit or a mod
for sale as a kit or otherwise?

Thanks in advance for your help
George Perkins
Ku3o

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 03:32:07 UTC
From: Ku3o <gperk@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <XMbn8.282157$TV4.37788832@typhoon.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4577
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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493. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 14:43:13 UTC
From: Mark Carlson <w4ksr@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <5CIn8.1638$xa5.43134@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4578
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Yaesu doesn't admit to the existance of this radio.

"Sam Yang" <Sam.Yang@csiro.au> wrote in message
news:4b8ff9bc.0203191729.275f4f8@posting.google.com...
> Where can I get more information/specifications about the VX-7R? It is
> not available on the YAESU homepage.
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> Regards,
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> Sam Yang
> Sam.Yang@csiro.au
>
> "James H. Coburn IV" <aconfusedmofo@mediaone.net> wrote in message
news:<PWGl8.61766$QB1.16905615@typhoon3.we.ipsvc.net>...
> > The New VX- 7R
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> > 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver
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> > 220 is us onlt and limited to .3 watts out.
> >
> > This unit also has AM transmit on 50mhz 1 watt AM only.
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> > True dual band operation for amateur bands only.
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> > For the manual.
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> > Pictures inside and out
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> > and discussion come join us at the VX7 group At:
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> > http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YAESUVX7/
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494. Radio propagation at night

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 15:18:46 UTC
From: Nic Phillips <nicphillips@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <a7kqom$fu9$1@helle.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4579

Hello,

Does anybody have any information on the change to the propagation of radio (100kHz - 2MHz) at night. I am particularly interested in how much further radio signals can travel at night due to changes in the ionosphere. I have information on the physics behind the ionosphere, but no real numbers for the distances involved.

Thanks in advance for any help or advice

Nic

495. FA: MOTOROLA ITEMS - LAST DAY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 16:01:22 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3c9ef770.137358170@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4580

Item name: MOTOROLA NMN6177A SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number: 1339683266
To view item, click here:
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Item name: MOTOROLA SURVEILLANCE KIT
Item number: 1339810503
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339810503

Item name: MOTOROLA NMN4339B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number: 1339681746
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http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339681746

Item name: MOTOROLA NMN6071B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number: 1339807720
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Item name: MOTOROLA NMN6142B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
Item number: 1339682814
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339682814

496. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 18:23:32 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwk@oinospamtesco.net>
Message-ID: <rRon8.11837$Dr3.1855475@news6-win.server.ntlworld.com>
Source record: 4581
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

"Mark Carlson" <w4ksr@earthlink.net> wrote in message
news:5Cln8.1638$xa5.43134@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net...
> Yaesu doesn't admit to the existance of this radio.
<snip top post>
>
That's daft it's been FCC type approved

Under US freedom of information act, new radios submitted for type approval
are public information on the FCC website / database
That's how to keep abreast of new radios,
watch the FCC type approval site

Although of course that doesn't mean Yaesu will put into production
Just they now can, for use in the US

With the Kenwood TH-F6/7 selling like hotcakes,
Yaesu will have to bring out something new to replace the VX5

waters and standon are now selling the TH-F7 for 249quid

Steve Terry

497. Re: Mounting 2m Mobile in the car...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-24 23:01:02 UTC
From: me@privacy.net
Message-ID: <3C9E5AAE.DC9A4ECE@privacy.net>
Source record: 4582

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I try to make it a point to purchase a car without a center console,
ie one with the shifting located on the steering wheel. Then I mount
my rig directly to the ashtray. At the present both I and my wife
have 1999 Chevy Lumina's and it's just a matter of swapping the ash
trays and I have my rig in either car, as needed. Moving the
magmount is no problem. Power wiring stays in both cars and in
plugable.

My real e-mail address is in the PGP signature.
73 de Ed

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498. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-25 00:23:35 UTC
From: Mark Carlson <w4ksr@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <b6un8.3144$xa5.135141@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4583
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

I think Yaesu might be trying to avoid the same situation that Icom went through last year with their T-82A. Remember, it was all hyped up, but was pulled from production at the last minute due to issues with the wideband FM recieve. Just my 2kHz worth.

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> news:5Cln8.1638$xa5.43134@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net...
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> Steve Terry
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499. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-25 03:28:06 UTC
From: DBN <dnicholson@socket.net>
Message-ID: <u9t676ejee0qf5@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4584
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

I got a note from the guys at Gigaparts. They say that it will be available
the end of May or first part of June. BUT they do not have pricing info yet.

for what its worth

Dan

500. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-25 04:31:15 UTC
From: Chris Southern <chris+usenet@southern.vg>
Message-ID: <Xns91DBEF4B5A580chrisusenetsouthernv@167.206.112.134>
Source record: 4585
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Try:

http://www.strongsignals.net/access/content/rr_vx-7r.html

Picture and all.

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@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net:

> Yaesu doesn't admit to the existance of this radio.
>
> "Sam Yang" <Sam.Yang@csiro.au> wrote in message
> news:4b8ff9bc.0203191729.275f4f8@posting.google.com...
>> Where can I get more information/specifications about the VX-7R? It is
>> not available on the YAESU homepage.
>>
>> Regards,
>>
>> Sam Yang
>> Sam.Yang@csiro.au
>>
>> "James H. Coburn IV" <aconfusedmofo@mediaone.net> wrote in message
>> news:<PWGl8.61766$QB1.16905615@typhoon3.we.ipsvc.net>...
>> > The New VX- 7R
>> >
>> >
>> > 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver
>> >
>> > 220 is us onlt and limited to .3 watts out.

501. Re: Radio propagation at night

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-25 05:20:11 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0203242120.7ab1f20b@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4586

"Nic Phillips" <nicphillips@btinternet.com> wrote in message
news:<a7kqom$fu9$1@helle.btinternet.com>...
> Hello,
>
> Does anybody have any information on the change to the propagation of radio
> (100kHz - 2MHz) at night. I am particularly interested in how much further
> radio signals can travel at night due to changes in the ionosphere. I have
> information on the physics behind the ionosphere, but no real numbers for
> the distances involved.
>
> Thanks in advance for any help or advice
>
> Nic

The distances involved at night are much greater. Just listening to
stations on the AM-BC band during the day, and then at night will give
you a good idea. Those frequencies use a mix of surface wave and sky
wave at night. The surface wave is attenuated less at the lower
frequencies. The sky wave is more useful on the higher of those
frequencies. Even on the AM-BC band , it's common to hear stations
100's of miles way. Even 1000's of miles at times. During the day, you
might be able to hear a 50 KW AM station 250-300 miles away. Depends
on the radio, antenna, etc. At 100 khz the surface wave loss is appx
90 db at 1000 miles. At 2000 khz the surface wave loss is appx 150-160
db at 1000 miles.
It's common to work the other side of the world on 160m at night "if"
you have the antennas, etc for the job. "1.8-2.0 mhz" On the longwave
band, a few 100 miles is common. Listen to the aircraft beacons. They
will give you a good idea for that band. Of course, you will have to
decode slow morse to ID the beacon, but it's usually only 2 or 3
letters. Anyway, the higher the freq, the more pronounced the sky wave
at night. Best way to tell is get a radio and listen for a while. Keep
a log of all the stations you hear, and after a while you will get a
good idea of the normal distances involved. MK

502. Re: FA: MOTOROLA ITEMS - LAST DAY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-25 15:23:11 UTC
From: RALPH <brdn@mediaone.net>
Message-ID: <3C9F4060.9020608@mediaone.net>
Source record: 4587

DT wrote:

> Item name: MOTOROLA NMN6177A SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
> Item number: 1339683266
> To view item, click here:
>http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339683266
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>http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339810503
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> Item name: MOTOROLA NMN4339B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
> Item number: 1339681746
> To view item, click here:
>http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339681746
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>http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339807720
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> Item name: MOTOROLA NMN6142B SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
> Item number: 1339682814
> To view item, click here:
>http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1339682814
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503. FA-Pakratt 232 MBX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-25 19:35:52 UTC
From: Paul Luggar <luggsey@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <3c9f7f05_1@mk-nntp-1.news.uk.worldonline.com>
Source record: 4588

Spotless condition.

http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1341939562

504. FA UK DX394 Shortwave receiver.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-25 20:13:09 UTC
From: Paul Luggar <luggsey@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <3c9f847e$1_2@mk-nntp-1.news.uk.worldonline.com>
Source record: 4589

Spotless condition and boxed.

http://cgi.ebay.co.uk/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1341947934

505. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-26 12:22:10 UTC
From: g3zxx@twxrg.info
Message-ID: <7d9cd384.0203260422.372b0669@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4590
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi Mark,

I'm a 6m repeater keeper, GB3WX, in the UK.

We have tried various "White-stick" antennas, as we call them, and although quoting significant gains, the polar diagrams left much to be desired, in terms of lobes and angle to the horizontal. Gain is not everything.

What about the Cushcraft AR6 or ARX6

The AR6 is just a halfwave base fed, and the ARX6 is 2 x halfwave, although I'm a bit concerned about the quoted gain. My perceptions is that it's just a pair of "close-spaced" halfwaves in phase, and therefore the max gain will be about 1.9 dBD at best.

We have been using an AR6, for over a year now, it has withstood gales with gusts to 80+ mph and everyone in the group indicated that they were getting a stronger signal from the repeater, when we replaced the original "white-stick" with the simple half wave.

Hopefully, this will be of some use to you.

Cheers
Dave, G3ZXX.

506. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-26 16:14:50 UTC
From: john <gate4000@rubbish.com>
Message-ID: <a7q6pmkvv1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4591
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

bet it is 270 pounds or something .
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news:u9t676ejee0qf5@corp.supernews.com...
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available
> the end of May or first part of June. BUT they do not have pricing info
yet.
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> for what its worth
>
> Dan
>
>

507. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-26 17:41:52 UTC
From: Mark Walsh <mark@km6xu.die.spam.die.com>
Message-ID: <a7qbmtikp1@bob.news.rcn.net>
Source record: 4592
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

"Dave Boniface" <g3zxx@twxrg.info> wrote:

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> it has withstood gales with gusts to 80+ mph and
> everyone in the group indicated that they were
> getting a stronger signal from the repeater, when
> we replaced the original "white-stick" with the
> simple half wave.

The AR-6 is a well-built, sturdy antenna. The problem
in using it for a repeater is that it has uptilt rather than
downtilt.

508. rf training

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-26 18:32:11 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020326133211.00700.00000223@mb-cq.aol.com>
Source record: 4593

I would like to start an rf test equipment operation course training. From reading online forums, I know many others are interested in this type of training. However, getting people together to organize this is a challenge. Also, the cost of the equipment is expensive

Very few colleges offer rf courses and it is hard to get the courses. Also, you have to wait a whole school term if you miss this current class. Even when a class is offered, it does not have the training with useful content. The topice is presented academically and it is hard to put this knowledge to use. Some private training companies DO offer this training. However, they offer "short courses" for 2-5 days. Also, they charge something like $1500 per week, and not all of this is lab time. I believe, if I got some people together, the course can be done less expensively, and there would be more lab time and more training in this area.

I am in the MA/ Southern NH area. Anyone in this area interested in such training? I would like the format to be a combination of equipment usage and technical discussions. Do not hesitate to contact me if you are interested in rf test equipment operation. My email address is vshah101@aol.com. If you have some suggestions or comments, please reply in this forum.

Also, I am interested in getting people together and sharing their design project experience. This a good way to learn more about rf.

509. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-26 19:08:12 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0203261108.712877a9@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4594
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

g3zxx@twxrg.info (Dave Boniface) wrote in message
>
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> although I'm a bit concerned about the quoted gain. My perceptions is
> that it's just a pair of "close-spaced" halfwaves in phase, and
> therefore the max gain will be about 1.9 dBD at best.

I haven't tried one of those, but is probably a decent antenna.
>
> We have been using an AR6, for over a year now, it has withstood gales
> with gusts to 80+ mph and everyone in the group indicated that they
> were getting a stronger signal from the repeater, when we replaced the
> original "white-stick" with the simple half wave.

Another good thing about the AR-6 is it's quite adjustable for the
freq used.
They also make a 10m version. "AR-10". These are easily homebrewed
also. I've made a few of them for 10m. I use a single turn loop at the
base the same way cushcraft does. The cap made from coax. You can also
improve the low angle performance a bit by adding a decoupling section
below the antenna to reduce the feedline radiation. I used a 1/4 wave
section of coax below the feed to a set of 1/4 wave radials mounted
and grounded to the mast a 1/4 wave below the feedpoint. I tried this
on a 10m version and it did seem to clean it up a tad. But they work
fairly well out of the box with no decoupling. MK

510. Superstar 3003

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-26 23:04:32 UTC
From: fmicouin@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020326180432.28277.00000343@mb-fe.aol.com>
Source record: 4595

Hello,
I'm looking for a superstar 3003 and can't find one in france so i would like
to know if there is a way to find one (second hand or brend new) in the UK

511. FA: ANTENEX , UHF, 450-470 MHz, Low Profile, Phantom Antenna - New in Bag - Motorola Style Mount

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-27 16:11:07 UTC
From: drew_x3110@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <81bb9d0d.0203270811.ce46002@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4596

Check out this item for auction.

ONE NEW, ANTENEX brand, Phantom model, 3db gain, 450-470 MHz,
"Transit" style, UHF Antenna. Antenex part number TRA4503. It is NEW
in the bag. This antenna mounts to a standard MOTOROLA style mount
(NOT INCLUDED IN THIS AUCTION). I have been using this style antenna
for my personal equipment and I am very happy with the results. Great
for low-profile or unmarked vehicles!

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1716970667&r=0&t=0&showTutorial=0&ed=1017728972&indexURL=0&rd=1

512. FA: ANTENEX 800 MHz, Low Profile, Phantom, Antenna - NIB - Motorola Style Mount

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-27 16:12:24 UTC
From: drew_x3110@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <81bb9d0d.0203270812.5e9d435c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4597

Check out this item for auction.

ONE NEW, ANTENEX brand, Phantom model, 3db gain, 806-866 MHz,
"Transit" style, low visibility, 800 MHz Antenna. Antenex part number
TRA8063. It is NEW in the bag. This antenna mounts to a standard
MOTOROLA style mount (NOT INCLUDED IN THIS AUCTION). I have been using
this style antenna for my personal equipment and I am very happy with
the results. Great for low-profile or unmarked vehicles!

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1716973828&r=0&t=0&showTutorial=0&ed=1017730344&indexURL=0&rd=1

513. Question about near-field rf radiation formula .....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-28 00:52:32 UTC
From: akwusmc@aol.com
Message-ID: <3ca268b6.52868946@news.tn.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4598

All,

I picked up a copy of Gordon Wests' 3rd edition 'Technician/ No-Code Plus' study book (elements 2 and 3A, effective 7-1-97 thru 6-30-01), and I've got a question about the formula for near-field distance (N0A06). The formula is:

R(nf)=(D^2)/4(wavelength in meters) .....{damn, I hope that makes sense}, where D=diameter in meters of the antenna.

What exactly is being refered to by 'diameter' of the antenna? If I'm using a base-loaded whip, is it the diameter of the steel whip? Or if I'm using a Yagi, is it the length of the directional beam (for lack of proper nomenclature)?

Any insight will be appreciated. I can learn the test as well as the next, but I'd like to understand what I'm doing!

TIA,

Anthony

514. Need Info about ATV and FCC regulations - model rocket project

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-28 03:00:14 UTC
From: Mell Eadie <meadie*@*surfsouth.com>
Message-ID: <270320022156540435%meadie*@*surfsouth.com>
Source record: 4599

I am working on a sport rocket carrying a video camera and transmitter as the payload. The transmitter I am considering is the VideoLynx 434 Micro ATV Transmitter. I know you have to have at least a technician class license to transmit at this frequency, but I read somewhere that the transmission has to be to at least on OTHER operator.

I know very little about amatuer radio and have only become interested because this frequency transmitter offers the best performance for my intended application.

Since I am using the transmitter to relay video data from the rocket essentially to myself, will I be breaking any FCC rules since it's not intended for any other amatuer operator?

Power output will be 50-100mW (per specs of transmitter).

Any help is appreciated.

mellman

515. Re: Need Info about ATV and FCC regulations - model rocket project

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-28 03:43:57 UTC
From: johnb <borregoj@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <3CA292C8.7060407@sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4500

sounds like a cool project. my guess is that if its a freq requireing a lic to broadcast on, you need one. esp. cause something going up high (while not a lot of juice) will send its signal quite far (something like the horizon at a min). good luck, i'm sure others here have lots of real information and not just random thoughts. -j

Mell Eadie wrote:

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> Any help is appreciated.
>
> mellman
>

516. Re: Need Info about ATV and FCC regulations - model rocket project

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-28 04:34:57 UTC
From: nojunk@this_address.com
Message-ID: <1f9q0um.17hxzu1m6np2hN%nojunk@this_address.com>
Source record: 4501

Mell Eadie <meadie*@*surfsouth.com> wrote:

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> as the payload. The transmitter I am considering is the VideoLynx 434
> Micro ATV Transmitter. I know you have to have at least a technician
> class license to transmit at this frequency, but I read somewhere that
> the transmission has to be to at least on OTHER operator.
>

Check over at rec.models.rockets. Several people there are also hams
that have launched video transmitters, are familiar with the rules they
had to follow, and may be able to help you out.

My wife and I got licensed recently, and are active in hobby rocketry in
the Seattle area. One of the projects we have "on the back burner" is
to do a video rocket.

--
Mike KD7PVT
NAR #70953 - Sr/HPR Level-1 ~ SeaNAR - The Seattle NAR Section #568
NO Junk Email, please! Real email to: amphoto [at] blarg [dot] net.
<Vegetables aren't food; vegetables are what the food eats!>

517. FS: Icom 706 MKII

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-28 18:39:14 UTC
From: Jim Best <n7clv@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <3ko6auoom3ehpl8vd8rbs4q1pnepnppibo@4ax.com>
Source record: 4502
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,equipment

Icom 706MKII with DSP and OPC 581 remote cable.
Original box, manual and mike included. $700 OBO

Jim N7CLV
n7clv@attbi.com

518. FS: Heil Goldline

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-30 00:58:34 UTC
From: "r.u. amused" <???@spamsux.net>
Message-ID: <_48p8.137792$af7.69799@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4503
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.marketplace,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

Like new (never used) Heil Goldline GM5 with Icom cable F.S. Paid $150, will sell for $100. I can send a picture if you'd like.

73,
James
K6JBT, ex-N6TTD

Contact me via: K6JBT@attbi.com

519. FS: Astron RA35-A Power Supply

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-30 01:02:45 UTC
From: "r.u. amused" <???@spamsux.net>
Message-ID: <V88p8.157958$702.27723@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4504
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap

Astron RS35-A power supply, 3 months old, like new. Bought for $150, sell
for $100.

If interested, write me at the address below.

Thanks and 73,

James
K6JBT, ex-N6TTD

K6JBT@attbi.com

520. FS: Rascal Interface

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-30 01:15:41 UTC
From: "r.u. amused" <???@spamsux.net>
Message-ID: <1l8p8.156814$uA5.134195@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4505
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

FS: Near new (used 1 day) Rascal Soundcard Interface R-5 (for Icom rigs).
Comes with documentation. Bought for $50, sell for $35 plus shipping.

If interested, write to the address below.

Thanks and 73,

James
K6JBT, ex-N6TTD
K6JBT@attbi.com

521. Re: A Notice of Address Change for Yeasu

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-30 04:11:23 UTC
From: pgmeyer@gte.net
Message-ID: <3ca538e0.159852@news.verizon.net>
Source record: 4506

The following was passed on to me.

Vertex Standard USA (AKA Yeasu) is moving to a new location effective
1 April 2002. The new Address and phone number are as follows:

Vertex Standard USA

10900 Walker Street

Cypress, CA 90630

714-827-7600

The 800 number I believe is still valid for the new location.

522. ARNewsline 1285 - March 29 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-30 18:59:33 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020330135933.00527.00001594@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 4507

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1285 - March 29 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1285 with a release date of Friday, March 29th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Russia orbits a new but temporary ham radio satellite and the ARRL says its time to re farm the Novice bands. What is refarming? Find out on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1285 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RS-21 IN OBIT

Yet another ham radio satellite is now in space. This one is the Russian Radio Sport 21. Roy Neal, K6DUE, has the details:

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Meet the latest ham radio satellite: RS-21. The newest ham radio satellite.

The satellite's formal name is the Russian-Australian Scientific and Educational Microsatellite Kolibri-2000. To most hams however, it is simply Radio Sport 21.

According to the AMSAT News Service, the new ham-sat was remotely launched on March 20th from a Russian Progress M-1-7 launcher that had brought supplies to the International Space Station. That launch took place after the Progress ship had un-docked from the I-S-S.

Alex Zaitzev, RW3DZ, the director of the Microsat Office of the Russian Space Research Institute, describes RS-21 as a non-government, non-commercial project, built with cooperation from students in Russia and Australia. It is currently in a circular orbit just over 200 miles above the Earth and on the air. Downlink frequencies are listed as 145.825 and 435.335 MHz.

The birds uses both CW and FSK for its telemetry transmissions, but it wont last very long. Zaitzev says that RS-21 was designed with a limited lifespan and that it will fall back into the atmosphere during the late winter or spring months. Till then though, RW3DZ, says that the satellite will send down data and digitally recorded voice messages.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Roy Neal, K6DUE.

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Meantime, the L.A. Daily News reports that the current crew on board the International Space Station will be spending an extra month in orbit. Russian Cosmonaut Commander Yuri Onufrienko, RK3DUO along with American Astronauts Carl Walz, KC5TIE and Dan Bursch, KD5PNU will spend the time correcting problems with the Canadian built robotic arm used for ongoing I-S-S construction. This will mean the crew will be on board for a total of 189 days. This will be a new record for the US crew members on board the International Space Station. (AMSAT-NA)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: HIGH SCHOOL CHEMISTRY EXPERIMENT TO THE ISS

A small science experiment at two Bloomington, Indiana High Schools is now headed for the International Space Station. A ham radio operator is helping to make it happen. Amateur News Weekly's Jack Parker, W8ISH, has the details from the home of Indiana University.

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Eleven honors chemistry students from Bloomington North and Bloomington South High Schools have collaborated with NASA to prepare a protein crystal growth experiment. The protein, frozen since November, is now ready to be transported to the International Space Station.

Bloomington North advanced chemistry teacher Neil Rapp, WB9VPG will join the students as they travel to the Kennedy Space Center for the April 4th launch of the Atlantis space shuttle. Once the experiment is aboard the International Space Station, it will thaw and allow the crystals to grow. After the crystals are formed, they will be transported back to earth and studied by NASA, and eventually returned to the Bloomington High schools.

According to Neil Rapp, the formation of protein crystals is an important step in the development of drugs designed to cure various diseases.

Reporting for Amateur News Weekly, this is Jack Parker W8ISH.

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All eleven chemistry students will be on hand for the launch of Atlantis. Each will receive a plaque and shirts designed to commemorate the launch of their experiment into space. (WB9VPG)

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ARRL TO FCC: TIME TO RE-EVALUATE THE NOVICE BANDS

The ARRL has asked the FCC to eliminate the 80, 40 and 15-meter Novice and Technician Plus Morse code subbands. It also wants the FCC to reuse that spectrum, in part, to expand the radiotelephone allocations on 80 and 40 meters. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW has the details:

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According to the ARRL Letter, a Petition for Rule Making filed March 22nd, the League requests that the FCC revise its Amateur Service rules in accordance

with the modified Novice band refarming scheme the ARRL Board of Directors okayed in January. The Petition has not yet been put on public notice for comment.

Refarming is a government-ese term coined a few years back. Its a way of saying that spectrum assigned to a given radio service will be reassigned for other uses within that service. In this case, reassigning spectrum now primerally dedicated to Novice C-W operation to various other modes.

If the FCC approves the plan, current Novice and Technician Plus licensees would be permitted to operate on the 80, 40, 15 and 10-meter General-class Morse code allocations at up to 200 watts output.

The ARRL's petition also asks the FCC to permit amateurs to use spread spectrum on the 222 to 225 MHz band. It also requests an expand the pool of special event call signs beyond the 1 by 1 format to include identifiers for US territories and possessions that do not provide for mailing addresses. And it asks the FCC to clarify its rules to indicate that modulated CW is permitted for repeater station identification.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW.

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In its petition, the ARRL cited substantial advancements in the use of “digital techniques” in the HF bands such as PSK31 to bolster its assertion that a refarming plan is needed. The ARRL says that the Novice High Frequency sub-bands are underutilized and Amateur Radio cannot wait any longer on this issue. A copy of the ARRL's complete Petition for Rulemaking is available on the ARRL Web at www.arrl.org. (ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Montgomery County Amateur Radio Club repeater serving Washington D C.

(5 sec pause here)

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A NEWSLINE FOLLOW-UP: A POLITICALLY DISORGANIZED 11 METER CLASS D SERVICE

A few weeks ago we reported that the FCC has refused to hear an appeal by an Illinois C-B operator convicted of Disorderly Conduct for interfering with a neighbors home entertainment electronics. In the days since that report first aired, it caused quite a stir on several Internet discussion groups. Everyone wants to know how a service that once boasted 3 out of every 5 Americans with radios in their cars could wind up where the local sheriff or policeman could take an operator off the air.

After a bit of research, the answer seemed pretty clear. In one word: Politics. Here is Amateur Radio Newsline’s South East Bureau Chief David

Black, KB4KCH, with part 1 of a multi part look at the strange political side of 11 meter C-B.

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When it comes to having political representation, most communication groups are in good shape. Hams have the American Radio Relay League looking after their political well being. Broadcasters have the powerful National Association of Broadcasters. Cellular telephone companies have the CTIA. Even the General Mobile Radio Service, which shares frequencies with the Family Radio Service, has representation amid the Personal Radio Steering Group. So, what form of communications lacks representation? That would be 11 meter, Class D Citizens Band radio. What does CB have? This:

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Sound from 11 meter CB
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Give CB a listen, and you hear lots of people using a service without any structure or formalized representation. Some might even call it anarchy.

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More sound from 11 meters
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Ironically, CB's lack of political power--as well as its inability to defend against bureaucratic attack--is not due to shortage of people using the airwaves. Many believe that next to cellular telephones, the second largest selling piece of 2-way radio equipment in the 20th century has been the CB radio.

During the gas crisis in the 1970s, many cars sported some sort of 11 meter whip and a cheap CB radio under the dash. Low cost 11 meter radios by the millions were manufactured, imported and sold. The industry had hobby magazines and several newspaper style newsletters devoted to CB radio.

CB operators outnumbered hams by at least 20 to one. And they outnumber GMRS users by 1000 to one.

But CB was not able to defend itself from outside pressures either back then or today. Why? Part of the reason goes back to CB’ers themselves in the 1970s and early 1980s. Most of them were not really interested in the service. It was just a utility. A way to help learn where to find the cheapest gasoline or avoid speed traps.

The CB radio service lacked any real monetary commitment. Without that, there was no political commitment. And when fuel prices began to ease, many but not all 11 meter operators pulled their radios out of their cars--and put them in the attic.

Then there were the few others, the die hard CB hobbyists. They treated CB channels 1 through 40 as a sort of ham radio-like hobby. Some operated illegally, but would take the chance just to make a DX contact. But they never organized. Why?

Different CB groups formed over the years. Many called themselves political messiahs of 11 meters. But many turned out to be bogus.

During the late 1970's and early 1980's, C-B radio scam artists were busy, trying to separate the 11 meter radio operator from his hard earned cash. As group after group appeared and then vanished, it became apparent to most using C-B that trusting anyone was too expensive. Now, more than 25 years later, trust in any C-B political organization seems little more than a remote possibility.

And what about the legal C-B operators? Those dedicated to public service? That part of the story, next week.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm David Black, KB4KCH.

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Next week David tells us about the only successful C-B organization and the reason that it survived when the rest went away. (ARNewsline(tm))

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SHORTWAVE: ARNEWSLINE VISITS AN SWL-FEST

From C-B to shortwave listening. Ham radio operators are not the only radio hobbyists who hold conventions. So do Short Wave Listeners and one of the most successful gatherings is Winterfest. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Steve Coletti took his tape recorder and visited this years gathering. He has this report:

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It may not be the size of the Dayton Hamvention or Huntsville Hamfest, but to Short Wave Listeners, Winterfest is truly the best. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIO GROUPS: NEW MURS USERS GROUP FORMING IN CYBERSPACE

We have covered C-B and short wave listening. How about MURS -- the newly created Multi-Use-Radio Service. Well, according to an Internet posting, an organization called The MURS OPEN Group has begun work to form an Internet-based MURS User's Group. This group will be a non-profit corporation whose main goal will be to encourage the growth of Multi-Use Radio Service. If you are interested in learning more, you can visit the group in cyberspace at: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MURS-OPEN/ (MURS Open Group)

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CONVENTIONS: WELCOME TO HAM RADIO AT NAB

If you are planning a trip to the upcoming National Association of Broadcasters convention, be advised that the hams of Las Vegas are expecting you. Bill Croghan, WB0KSW, says that the Las Vegas Radio Amateur Club repeaters are up,

active and hard linked.

Bill Croghan is the Chief Engineer of Lotus Broadcasting in Las Vegas. He says that on two meters try 146.94, minus 600 kHz offset with a 100 Hz access tone. This machine is now located on the Hilton hotel immediately above the Convention center, but on the opposite tower. From this site it should be useable from deep inside the Convention center and easily from anywhere on the Las Vegas strip.

If you would rather use a U-H-F machine try 448.500, minus MHz offset also with a 100 Hz access tone. This system is hard linked to the 2 meter machine but located on the old Tropicana hotel site as in years past. With the two systems linked any ham attending N-A-B with either a 2 meter or 70 centimeter radio can have fun and stay in touch. The convention takes place April 8th through the 11th at the Las Vegas Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada. (BEAN)

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CONVENTIONS: WELCOME TO THE NAB HAM RADIO RECEPTION

Also, this years N-A-B Ham Radio Reception will take place Wednesday Evening, April 10th at 6 PM following the close of the exhibit hall. Location is the Hilton Convention Center in Ballroom B. The gathering is being co-sponsored by C-Q Magazine and Kenwood Communications. C-Q Publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA and Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU, along with Kenwood’s Paul Middelton, K4NUH, will be there as your host.

Amateur Radio Newsline will also be loitering around the convention and the Ham Radio Reception. We will be represented by Producer Bill Pasternak WA6ITF and by Todd Hitzeroth, N6ZXJ, who serves on the Young Ham of the Year Award committee. (CQ, ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: KERMIT AND THE V-CHIP

Sesame Street’s Kermit the Frog has a new part-time job. According to news reports the little green guy will be put to work boosting the awareness of the television V-Chip.

The V-Chip is a mandatory internal accessory built into any T-V set larger than thirteen inches diagnal picture. The chip reads a digital code that contains a program's rating and can be programmed to block out television shows parents deem inappropriate for their kids.

Now the Hallmark Channel in conjunction with The Jim Henson Company, has donated the image of Kermit to the Federal Communications Commission for use in

an upcoming promotional campaign to bring attention to the availability of the V-Chip. A new brochure to be distributed to the public by the FCC, the Hallmark Channel and other interest groups, will feature Kermit sporting a "V" with his fingers and urging parents to monitor the programming their children watch. (Published news reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: VE7BFK IS NEW ARDF COORDINATOR

Gordon D. Young, VE7BFK has been appointed as the Radio Amateurs of Canada National A-R-D-F Coordinator. Young first became interested in A-R-D-F when the Friendship Amateur Radio Society hosted the 3rd Friendship Radio Games in Victoria British Columbia back in 1993. He has since attended A-R-D-F events in Russia, Japan and the United States. He replaces Perry Creighton, VA7PC who has held that appointment for several years. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL - ISRAEL: 500TH NEWSLETTER ON THE AIR

From Israel comes word that Mark Stern, 4Z4KX, recently celebrated the 500th edition of his ‘Newsletter on the Air’ for that nations Russian-speaking ham community. Stern, the former UP2OE, has been performing this service for the last 11 years every Saturday morning on 7.080 MHz.

Stern also seeks donations of used gear that he donates to newly arrived new-immigrant hams. As a result of his efforts many have gotten on the air in Israel in only a short time after their arrival in that nation.

And if all that were not enough for one ham, Stern is also the Israeli Award Manager and issues the awards and trophies for the Holyland and Israeli VHF-UHF Contests. (Hagal International)

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DX

In D-X, hams are usually out looking for D-Xpeditions. Heres a twist. A future D-Xpedition is looking for you. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, explains:

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Have you always wanted to take part in a major D-Xpedition, but never known how to get on an expedition team? Now could be your chance. Ken Holdom, ZL4HU, the leader of 'The Kermadec DX Association's' planned operation from the Chatham Islands - ZL7 - later this year, is looking for experienced SSB and CW operators to accompany the group. "As this will be a 24-hour-per-day operation, we are looking for operators who feel they have the willingness and ability to operate during both day time and night time," Ken says. For further information please contact the Kermadec DX Association, PO Box 7, Clyde, Central Otago, New Zealand or e-mail to zl2hu@clear.net.nz.

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Again, that e-mail address to apply is zl2hu@clear.net.nz (RSGB)

A D-Xpedition to San Felix became active on March 16th as X-R-Zero C. It was active for 14 days on all bands and modes. If you made contact, QSL via John Kennon, N7CQQ, P. O. Box 31553, Laughlin, Nevada 89028.

Lastly, N6DE and K6EP will be active from St. Croix through April 2nd. During the CQ World Wide S-S-B Contest, they will use the callsign WP2Z. QSL WP2Z contacts via KU9C, and non-contest QSO’s to each operator's home callsign address. (Various DX sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: AN APRIL 1ST CB D-XPEDITION TO THE ISLE DU CONEY

Earlier in this week's newscast we reported that 11 meter C-B has no political clout. What it does have is a bunch of people who just want to have fun. Now, a group of them is planning what they call a People's Radio D-Xpedition from an exotic island location. Roving reporter Pierre Pullinmyleg is here with the details:

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Hopefully, Pierre will be back a year from now to pull your leg once again. (The April Fools Day File)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Rain, the RSGB, and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline@arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

523. Radio Vacation In The Canadian Wilderness

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-03-31 18:06:28 UTC
From: Fudge <fudge@mv.igs.net>
Message-ID: <3ca750aa_4@corp-news.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 4508
Cross-posted to: japan.travel.abroad,rec.radio.amateur

Tired of pollution, traffic jams, and noise?
How about a vacation with a difference.
Imagine a cabin located on a farm in the Canadian wilderness completely surrounded by boreal forest.
Listen to wild birds. Hear the wind in the trees.
Watch hummingbirds whiz past your head and
dance among the wild flowers.
Spend some time with a flock of charming chickens.
Eat some organic vegetables from our large gardens available during spring, summer and fall.
Ideal for persons wishing to relax, lose some weight, get some exercise, recover from an illness, or operate an
amateur radio station with some first class antennas.
A great place for a honeymoon.
If you wish for dynamic night life and fancy restaurants, this is not the place for you,
however if you seek that rare commodity, peace and quiet, this is the right location.
The Upper Madawaska Valley with all its tourist attractions is at your disposal. Near Algonquin Park in Eastern Ontario. Cheap at any price!
Full details at:

http://www.radiovacation.ca

524. Re: Heil Goldline

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-01 01:48:18 UTC
From: "r.u. amused" <???@spamsux.net>
Message-ID: <C%Op8.183597$q2.17373@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 4509
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.marketplace,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

Sold

"r.u. amused" <???@spamsux.net> wrote in message
news:_48p8.137792$af7.69799@rwcrnsc53...
> Like new (never used) Heil Goldline GM5 with Icom cable F.S. Paid $150,
will
> sell for $100. I can send a picture if you'd like.
>
> 73,
> James
> K6JBT, ex-N6TTD
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> Contact me via: K6JBT@attbi.com
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525. Re: Rascal Interface

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-01 01:49:10 UTC
From: "r.u. amused" <???@spamsux.net>
Message-ID: <q0Pp8.183606$q2.16574@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 4510
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Sold

"r.u. amused" <???@spamsux.net> wrote in message
news:1l8p8.156814$uA5.134195@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net...
> FS: Near new (used 1 day) Rascal Soundcard Interface R-5 (for Icom rigs).
> Comes with documentation. Bought for $50, sell for $35 plus shipping.
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> If interested, write to the address below.
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> Thanks and 73,
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> James
> K6JBT, ex-N6TTD
> K6JBT@attbi.com
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526. ARC - Public Service

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-01 07:41:21 UTC
From: ursus major <someone@microsoft.com>
Message-ID: <yaUp8.669$pM6.49@news.easynews.com>
Source record: 4511

Fellow Hams:

Anyone here associated with the American Red Cross, either locally or in the National Disaster Service Communications Function?

Does Sally's (Salvation Army) Disaster Service have a communications function?

Anybody work with FEMA in a communications capacity?

Has anyone thought about a 'rec.radio.amateur.publicservice' newsgroup?

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Alan Walkington, AB0NU
ab0nu@arrl.net
ARC National Disaster Service - COM/S
Idaho Falls, ID/Campbell, CA

527. Re: morse code exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-01 08:08:41 UTC
From: ursus major <someone@microsoft.com>
Message-ID: <dAUp8.1088$pM6.36@news.easynews.com>
Source record: 4512

Mike:

The following URL will generate actual tests for you that conform to the FCC requirements. I highly recommend it! If you can pass it here you should have NO problem at all with the real thing.

http://www.aa9pw.com/radio/morse_new.html

Good Luck,
Alan Walkington ab0nu

"michael jantzen" <jantzen_michael@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:NKQj8.33333$af7.26680@rwcrnsc53...
> I've actually taken and passed general and extra - only thing holding me
> back is the cw test which
> I will attempt this Friday.
>
> Maybe someone could help me with these answers :).
>
> What is the test really like? How much punctuation does the test use? What
> is the qso you listen to like? Do they send in Farnsworth style or what?
And
> how long is the audio portion of the test? Say you botch the written
part -
> how hard is the multiple choice part?
>
> Am I being justifiably nervous?
>
> Michael Jantzen ^_^ n7wsb
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528. Public Service - Red Cross or other?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-01 08:17:44 UTC
From: ursus major <someone@microsoft.com>
Message-ID: <aIUp8.49827$r45.611889@news.easynews.com>
Source record: 4513
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Folks:

The Red Cross has kept 8 or 10 communications people in the New York area for the last 6 months. They come from all over the country and stay for a minimum of 3 weeks. About half of them are Ham Radio operators. If anyone is interested in the ARCs National Disaster Service communications function, just respond and I'll pass on any information.

Anyone out there already involved with the Red Cross (either locally or with the national Disaster Service)?

How about the Salvation Army? Sally also has a National Disaster Service. Do they have a communications function?

Anyone associated with FEMA communications?

Has anyone thought of 'alt.ham-radio.public-service' or rec.radio.amateur.public-service' NGs?

Alan Walkington - ab0nu
ARC National Disaster Volunteer
Idaho Falls, ID/Campbell, CA

529. Re: Public Service - Red Cross or other?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-01 10:18:57 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3ca82f39.135879230@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4514
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

On Mon, 01 Apr 2002 08:17:44 GMT, "ursus major"
<someone@microsoft.com> wrote:

>Folks:
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>The Red Cross has kept 8 or 10 communications people in the New York area
>for the last 6 months. They come from all over the country and stay for a
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>
>Alan Walkington - ab0nu
>ARC National Disaster Volunteer
>Idaho Falls, ID/Campbell, CA
>
Quite a few hams are involved, at least at the local level, with ARC,
but their primary organization may not be ARC.

The Salvation Army emergency communications group is called SATERN
(Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network).

RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) is the group of hams
affiliated with local city/town OEM (formerly Civil Defense) and with
each state's EMA, which ties in with FEMA.

ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) is another group of hams who
stand ready in case of emergencies, affiliated with ARRL.

SKYWARN is a volunteer group of weather spotters who help the National
Weather Service, a good number of whom are hams.

The ARRL supports these efforts and provides training, and has an
Emergency Coordinator for each Section. Many local clubs actively
support emergency communications. Start at www.ARRL.org

here are some links to local emergency communications groups:
http://www.races.net/links.html

Note that the level of activity varies quite a bit from place to
place, there is a fair amount of overlap and redundancy, and that many
hams are involved in more than one of these in some way.

HTH,
Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

530. RS232 to TTL adapter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 02:27:16 UTC
From: n4buq@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020401212716.29967.00000797@mb-cb.aol.com>
Source record: 4515

I was looking for some information on some RS232 line drivers and came across this.

http://www.piclist.com/techref/io/serial/RCL1.htm

It is a TTL to RS232 level converter built into the shell of a DB-9. It would seem a simple thing to use this to interface to the serial port of a transceiver.

I have no connection with this company nor do I have any more information than what you see on their pages. I just thought it would be an interesting project and possibly easier/simpler than the MAX232/3 route.

73,

Barry - N4BUQ

531. Re: Need information from old (60's-70's callbook)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 02:34:19 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <barrykooda@YAHOO.COM>
Message-ID: <LM8q8.11672$id3.7275@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4516

1961 Spring Call book shows him at 4758 Skyway, Box 201, Paradise.

Good luck on your search for your Elmer.

Ray
KC2GMN

532. FA: HIFI AUDIO (GRAPHIC EQUALIZER)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 04:06:21 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cab2e27.127487937@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4517

Enhance your AM or SSB audio with the 10 channel graphic equalizer
listed below. Use right channel for your receiver audio, left channel
for your transmit audio.
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343572963

533. FA: HIFI AUDIO (DIGITAL DELAY)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 05:11:20 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3caa3d6b.1311856@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4518

Add some presence to your SSB and AM audio with the digital delay
listed here:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343586223

534. FA: MOTOROLA AND AUDIO ITEMS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 15:39:41 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3caad0b0.39012857@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4519

Item name:ORIGINAL MOTOROLA RADIO INTERFACE BOX (RIB)
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343327748

Item name:MOTOROLA STX CONVERTACOM W/ 15W RF POWER AMP
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343351431

Item name:NEW/UNUSED MOTOROLA SABER BATTERY ELIMINATOR
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343336724

Item name:STEREO DIGITAL DELAY PROCESSOR
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343586223

Item name:10 BAND GRAPHIC EQUALIZER W SPECTRUM ANALYZER
To view item, click here:
http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343572963

535. CENTRALAB CERAMIC SWITCH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 17:25:13 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3caae96e.45346624@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4520

CENTRALAB CERAMIC ROTARY SWITCH -This is a NEW/UNUSED Centralab ceramic rotary switch. Box has faded "2005" on the label, but not sure the box matches the switch. The switch appears to be a 2-pole-12-throw rotary suitable for audio or low power RF applications. The stops on the switch mechanism currently block it to 2-throw positions, but by changing the tabs it appears that all 12 switch positions can be enabled. Not sure if contacts are copper or silver plate. $18, I ship. Pay by money order or cashiers check. Email to dt0124@comcast.net

536. WTB: Kenwood DG-1 Display

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 17:54:23 UTC
From: n8arw@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020402125423.19444.00001333@mb-fw.aol.com>
Source record: 4521

Looking for Kenwood DG-1 Digital display for Kenwood TS-820. Anybody have one
or know where I can find one?
TIA

Bill
N8ARW@aol.com

Faster and faster until the thrill of speed overcomes the fear of death!

537. ACARS Log Analyser - new release available now

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-02 22:13:38 UTC
From: mark.avey@virgin.net
Message-ID: <21fc4b52.0204021413.14e015c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4522

Hi all,

Log Analyser version 1.6.0 is now available.

This release adds the much requested WACARS Log Importing function.

This is a free upgrade for registered users. A demo and the upgrade can be downloaded from http://www.acarsonline.co.uk

(This is the release version and is now available from our main download site).

Thanks,

Mark Avey

538. Fast-scan ATV needs incidental music exemption

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 08:36:40 UTC
From: inglem@pobox.removespam.com
Message-ID: <sazq8.13619$TG6.1924777@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4523
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Fast-scan ham TV should have an exemption for incidental music, where the music is not the intended purpose of the transmission. For example, I can show a home video to a friend on ATV - unless it is a wedding video or a birthday video, because those have incidental music. This is dumb and arbitrary.

Or, what if you connect a video game console to an ATV transmitter. If you build an interface to send the control inputs back over another radio channel, hams in several locations could play a multiplayer game. This cannot be done over the Internet unless the game is specifically written for it, but it could be done over ATV. The only thing preventing it is that the game might play music, and we aren't supposed to have even incidental music. Again, dumb and arbitrary. Model plane and rocket video are allowed.

I understand some countries do have an exemption like this. Has anyone ever petitioned for one in the States?

Mike KG6KRF

539. Re: Public Service - Red Cross or other?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 10:32:42 UTC
From: joeya <kb2qle@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <eTAq8.120559$u77.28101696@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4524
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

hmmm I find that rather interesting as New York City Ares of which I am a member was told to stand down 2 weeks after the 11.
The ARC in New York City is communicatiosn dumb. They use the low band and have a hard time just getting thier signal out of the city on most occassions. (I know this to be a fact as I am DSHR and was a local team leader for 3 years.

They don't want to know about Ham Radio. My club offered them repeater equipment at no cost to help enhance their operation. When we started a ne Unit strictly for disaster communications they shunned us. We were a part of the 9-11 job and also the American Airlines crash wheich happened about two miles form our Com center.Yes Com center. If you would like I can post some pictures and news articles that were done about us.

Now as far as communications people for 6 months. I find that a bit hard to swollow , but I would not doubt anything that they are doing here in New York.
The Salvation army has a team called SATERN which the members of the unit are involved in as well. We are also SKYWARN. Getting back to SATERN they have Hams and GMRS ops all over the country and do a hell of a job. Instead of rasing the stop flag they have the sense to ask for help.
You might want to take a look at their website

ARES has had and still has OPs available but nary a word from the ARC. I might also add that the ARC has left ARES with a bad tatse in the mouth. When requested they would not provide a copy of the log containing the names and callsigns of the almost 1000 hams that responded to 9-11 and worked 12 to 15 hour shifts. Alot of these hams did not even get a handshake by them let a lone a pat on the back.

It's a shame

"ursus major" <someone@microsoft.com> wrote in message news:aIUp8.49827$r45.611889@news.easynews.com...
> Folks:
>
> The Red Cross has kept 8 or 10 communications people in the New York area
> for the last 6 months. They come from all over the country and stay for a
> minimum of 3 weeks. About half of them are Ham Radio operators. If anyone is
> interested in the ARCs National Disaster Service communications function,
> just respond and I'll pass on any information.
>
> Anyone out there already involved with the Red Cross (either locally or with

> the national Disaster Service)?
>
> How about the Salvation Army? Sally also has a National Disaster Service.
Do
> they have a communications function?
>
> Anyone associated with FEMA communications?
>
> Has anyone thought of 'alt.ham-radio.public-service' or
> rec.radio.amateur.public-service' NGs?
>
> Alan Walkington - ab0nu
> ARC National Disaster Volunteer
> Idaho Falls, ID/Campbell, CA
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540. VEC Question Pools

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 12:39:49 UTC
From: Lee Murrah <lee@murrah.com>
Message-ID: <pKCq8.100963$VJ1.8168282@bin3.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4525

Are the ARRL and W5YI question pools the same?

541. Re: Fast-scan ATV needs incidental music exemption

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 18:23:49 UTC
From: KAY-ZERO-HOTEL-BRAVO <KAYZEROHOTELBRAVO@ENDOFTHETRAIL.ORG>
Message-ID: <VMHq8.13402$nt1.1107290@newsread2.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4526
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Mike Ingle" <inglem@pobox.removespam.com> wrote

> Has anyone ever petitioned for one in the States?

Such an exemption is already in the rules for space shuttle communications,
so the precedent exists.

No reason for you not to petition for something similar if you feel it is
needed. The worst that can happen is that they say "No".

73, de Hans, K0HB

"Your goals and dreams belong to you, not your
mother, your father, or Winnie The Pooh, So if your
goals and dreams are yours alone, then what
are you waiting for?

Go do it!"

542. HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 18:37:01 UTC
From: Simon Pearson <simon@technetics.co.uk>
Message-ID: <ZYHq8.10272$51.371726@wards>
Source record: 4527
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Hi,

I'm 16, and have been licensed for just over a year now. I currently have G5RV, and am quite disappointed with it.

My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really cut the cake when it comes to contesting!

So, I'm now looking at vertical antennas. I was wondering how well they perform, both on TX and RX, but am looking for a vertical with the following:

- No traps
- No need for long (or any) counterpoises/radials

I have come across the GAP TITAN DX, but if anyone knows a good performing vertical antenna, would they please let me know?

Many thanks.

73...
Simon, M0CLW

543. Re: VEC Question Pools

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 18:55:08 UTC
From: Jeff Farrar <jeff@farrar.com>
Message-ID: <gelq8.205327$702.31974@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4528

Yep.

"Lee Murrah" <lee@murrah.com> wrote in message
news:pKCq8.100963$VJ1.8168282@bin3.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com...
> Are the ARRL and W5YI question pools the same?
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544. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 19:22:57 UTC
From: Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <j5lmaug9gifm05v53eq676gnh7ftg9v34f@4ax.com>
Source record: 4529
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On Wed, 3 Apr 2002 19:37:01 +0100, "Simon Pearson"
<simon@technetics.co.uk> wrote:

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>vertical antenna, would they please let me know?
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Hi Simon,

Almost across the board, GAP products do not provide very useful
performance for the lowest band offered. That is, if the model is
built for 80M, it probably will only begin to work on 40M. They may
load suitably, but still not perform very well. Once you move to a
higher band, things improve, but not beyond the expectation of a
common quarterwave vertical.

The simplest advice is to put your antenna higher, and build it bigger
(but not too big, 5/8ths is the largest you should attempt for a
vertical). Height is the most important. Sacrifice everything else
(until the antenna becomes too small, less than 1/10th wavelength) and
make up for it with a tuner.

You will undoubtedly get good advice in regard to your G5RV here, and
the alternatives to it like Cecil's tunerless dipole. I mention this,
because as bad as you think it is, it will probably prove to be more

useful than a GAP.

73's
Richard Clark, KB7QHC

545. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 19:45:19 UTC
From: SAM <xxscottm@xxnetcommander.comxx>
Message-ID: <jZIq8.16716$TG6.2335166@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4530
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

I can only compare the G5RV against an R5, but I'd take the G5RV anyday. It performs heads and shoulders above the R5. I have had my G5RV up for about a year and it has worked great except on 40 meters where I can not obtain anything close to resonance.

Scott M.
KA1MRO

"Simon Pearson" <simon@technetics.co.uk> wrote in message
news:ZYHq8.10272$51.371726@wards...
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546. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 19:46:11 UTC
From: Tim McDonough <tim@mcdonough.net>
Message-ID: <j3Jq8.2351$mB3.80303@news.webusenet.com>
Source record: 4531
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

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> the alternatives to it like Cecil's tunerless dipole. I mention this,
> because as bad as you think it is, it will probably prove to be more
> useful than a GAP.

What is Cecil's tunerless dipole? Is there on line information?

73,

Tim N9PUZ

547. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 19:53:28 UTC
From: RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk>
Message-ID: <f9lmau4kidi0f6psvn4bjc03c6hvdavn00@4ax.com>
Source record: 4532
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Simon Pearson wrote:

>I'm 16, and have been licensed for just over a year now. I currently have
>G5RV, and am quite disappointed with it.

Congrats on the licence.

Be aware that the antenna of which you speak was designed as a
compromise all (pre-WARC) band antenna with a low-enough SWR for the
valved PA transmitters of the day. There are those who say it is not
really suitable for a modern solid-state transmitter. Even with an
ATU, some of the compromises remain, such as radiation from the feeder
on certain bands.

>My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really cut
>the cake when it comes to contesting!

I'm not in the least surprised.

>So, I'm now looking at vertical antennas. I was wondering how well they
>perform, both on TX and RX, but am looking for a vertical with the
>following:
>- No traps

You mean not necessarily any traps.

>- No need for long (or any) counterpoises/radials

I'm afraid that you _will_ need radials, even for a ground mounted
antenna, unless it is a half-wave. A vertical is form of monopole, and
it needs something to work against. This is either the planet Earth,
or if mounted on a mast, a set of radials. Radials for ground mounting
help the antenna connect to planet Earth, and reduce losses (mainly
resistive).

But there are other problems with verticals besides ground losses and
inefficiency. Noise tends to be vertically polarized, and as the
radiation pattern is omnidirectional and vertically-polarized, a
vertical will collect it all. There's no front-to-back ratio of a beam
to help you here. Field-strengths locally can be higher than a beam,
leading to the possibility of EMC problems.

But it's not all doom-and-gloom. A vertical can illuminate the
ionosphere more evenly than a beam, and - with plenty of radials! - a
low radiation angle and reasonable efficiency. You can take advantage
of this by being ready for the band of interest opening for you for
the DX, before the boys with beams. But you could have as little as

ten to twenty minutes of this; it also operates this way on band closing. In between, of course, you're going to be outgunned.

>I have come across the GAP TITAN DX, but if anyone knows a good performing >vertical antenna, would they please let me know?

I've tried to say above that ALL antennas have strengths and weakness; advantages and disadvantages; a named antenna hasn't necessarily any advantages performance-wise that one you make yourself. What you MUST do is a bit of background reading about antennas, finding out their individual characteristics, and finding which one(s) will help you in your goal. There might be one type of antenna that can do more things for you than another, but none will do everything.

In engineering terms you need to define what service you need from your gear, and then find what components - antenna in this case - will fulfill that. When you've done that and are getting the results, you will have engineered a solution, and learned much on the way. There are no 'silver bullet' solutions!

I hope you find this of use.

Good luck with the contesting.

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from
RVMJ
Remove Safety-&-Arming before e-mailing

548. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 20:00:23 UTC
From: lucifer@eternal-flames.gov
Message-ID: <3cab5f14.3692917@news.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4533
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On Wed, 3 Apr 2002 19:37:01 +0100, "Simon Pearson"
<simon@technetics.co.uk> wrote:

>My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really cut
>the cake when it comes to contesting!

Have you considered using a knife?

549. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 20:26:57 UTC
From: James <James@McGinty.com>
Message-ID: <1017865654.25227.0.nnrp-13.d4e54c2a@news.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 4534
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

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LOL

Do you mean on the cake or the G5RV

550. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 20:40:23 UTC
From: SideBand <abNO8SPAMlr@csotbs.org>
Message-ID: <3CAB68B7.5090103@csotbs.org>
Source record: 4535
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

I was under the impression that the feeder (the ladderline) was SUPPOSED to
radiate, which is why I got such good results with my G5RV against both
vertically and horizontally polarized contacts. I could be wrong.

73 de AB8LR, Chris

RVMJ wrote:

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> Be aware that the antenna of which you speak was designed as a
> compromise all (pre-WARC) band antenna with a low-enough SWR for the
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> ATU, some of the compromises remain, such as radiation from the feeder
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http://csotbs.shopiwon.com/ for great deals on computer products.

551. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 21:19:22 UTC
From: RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk>
Message-ID: <17smau47308au0r3lv6sg25e2es29vj0j8@4ax.com>
Source record: 4536
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

SideBand wrote:

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>> ATU, some of the compromises remain, such as radiation from the feeder
>> on certain bands.

You're quite right. What I was getting at was that the radiation
pattern might not be what you think it is, and you could be trying to
work DX in a null rather than a lobe with some gain. There could also
be noise-pickup on the vertical section. But I was also trying to keep
it simple. You can't teach 'antennas' in one posting...

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from
RVMJ
Remove Safety-&-Arming before e-mailing

552. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-03 22:39:05 UTC
From: Malcolm <malcolm.bell@btinternetdot.com>
Message-ID: <VtLq8.11053$OP.447632@stones>
Source record: 4537
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"RVMJ" <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk> wrote in message
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> You're quite right. What I was getting at was that the radiation
> pattern might not be what you think it is, and you could be trying to
> work DX in a null rather than a lobe with some gain

Actually - no!

If the G5RV is reasonably symmetrical in the air without too many
obstructions around it, and it is tuned with a properly balanced tuner then
it will NOT radiate from the feeder on any bands.

If any of these conditions are not true, however, then there may well be
some imbalance in the feeder and radiation will result - but not by design.

ANY multiband antenna of any construction, shape or design is a compromise
over a single-band, single purpose antenna!

Now, to the original question - I have an 80m dipole with tuned open-wire
feeder at 35ft and a GAP Titan mounted in a reasonably clear spot on flat
sandy soil. On all bands from 40m to 10m the GAP is at least as good as the
dipole, and on some bands for certain QSOs is better. DX performance on 40m
& 30m is generally better on the vertical, but mainly because of reduced
european signal levels. As somebody said before 80m performance is poor on
the GAP. Its not a mirical antenna, but its at least as good as any other
multi-bander and has a good bandwidth on all bands except 80m. It also

costs a lot of money ... a lot more than I had when I was 16!

Neither of these antennas will be competitive in large contests on any bands .... you need a 3kW amplifier and all controls turned to maximum (especially the speech processor) to join in! (It also helps if you listen on the frequency before transmitting, but that appears to be optional!)

Malcolm G4CXT

553. Re: VEC Question Pools

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 00:08:04 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <3CAB9964.14A0ADDB@dialpoint.net>
Source record: 4538

ALL ham radio question pools fro the US must be the same. Just be sure to get the latest update.

Some forms may have an explinaton of the answers but the part where you answer A,B,C, or D must read the same. If you want to pass the test then get the book that has just the questons and answers and don't get the longer versions that can confuse you.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 00:11:30 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <3CAB9A32.67E8831B@dialpoint.net>
Source record: 4539
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Cut the cake and add about 25 feet to the G5RV.

> >
> > >My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really
> cut
> > >the cake when it comes to contesting!
> >
> > Have you considered using a knife?
>
> LOL
>
> Do you mean on the cake or the G5RV

555. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 02:23:17 UTC
From: 'Doc <w5lz@icok.net>
Message-ID: <3CABB8FD.8ADD1E01@icok.net>
Source record: 4540
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Simon,
Any antenna will benifit from having a good ground
under it, the 'Gap' antennas also. While I'm not much
of a 'G5RV' fan, it will work as well, or better, than
any of the 'no-radial' vertical antennas on the market.
As someone has already said, elevation will do more for
you than anything else will, with the G5RV.
The 'Gap' antennas may not have the 'classic' style
of traps, but they do use devices that serve the same
purpose, and have about the same 'losses'. The 'trapless'
thing is a sales gimmic, and should be treated as such,
lump it in the same catagory as their 'gain' figures...
'Doc

556. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 03:39:07 UTC
From: "Joe S." <joe@schlatter.org>
Message-ID: <a8ght60ace@enews1.newsguy.com>
Source record: 4541
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Verticals radiate equally poorly in all directions.

If you are not able to put up a tower with a beam, put up an all-band dipole. You will need 135 feet of antenna wire, 100 feet or so of open-wire lead (ladder line) and an antenna tuner to match the unbalanced output of the transmitter to the balanced line.

Feed the 135 feet of antenna wire in the middle with the ladder line.

Look around the various ham radio sites -- the AC6V site is a good place to start -- and you will find dealers selling an already assembled all-band dipole.

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- - -

Regards,
Joe S.

"Simon Pearson" <simon@technetics.co.uk> wrote in message
news:ZYHq8.10272$51.371726@wards...
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> G5RV, and am quite disappointed with it.
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> Many thanks.
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> 73...
> Simon, M0CLW
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557. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 04:25:49 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwk@oinospamtesco.net>
Message-ID: <HBQq8.4635$LI2.387431@news6-win.server.ntlworld.com>
Source record: 4542
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Joe S." <joe@schlatter.org> wrote in message
news:a8ght60ace@enews1.newsguy.com...
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<snip top post>
>
Or equally well in all directions
ask a good buddy with a sigma 4, 3/4 wave vertical

Steve Terry

558. AEA PK232 MBX Packet setup

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 05:07:49 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020404000749.16889.00001531@mb-mh.aol.com>
Source record: 4543

FS: PK 232 MBX by AEA. Its mint with all books, cables , and power supply. Will ship / insured for $100.00

559. Re: Fast-scan ATV needs incidental music exemption

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 05:20:09 UTC
From: Robert Casey <wa2ise@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <3CABE289.57C2213A@ix.netcom.com>
Source record: 4544
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy

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> No reason for you not to petition for something similar if you feel it is
> needed. The worst that can happen is that they say "No".

Ask someone at the ARRL before the FCC. If it falls in a gray
area, then it may be legal. But if you ask someone at the FCC,
they will probably say "no" to cover their ass in a gray situation.

560. Packet 1200baud decoding with soundcard

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 06:31:34 UTC
From: phantome@mail.ru
Message-ID: <3cabf291.1842179@news.ntua.gr>
Source record: 4545

Hi,
Is there anyone who can provide me the following information:

1) In 1200baud FSK how the bits are represented? Always Mark for "1"
and always Space for "0" ?
2) In an attempt to decode 1200baud FSK packet with soundcard, how
many points FFT is optimal ?
3) How can I concentrate my program to the start of the transmittion
and not to the noise ?

Thanks in advance

Nick Kavalieris
phantome@mail.ru
UIN: 13199320
http://www.geocities.com/phantome_gr

561. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 07:10:34 UTC
From: Dick Carroll <dixie@townsqr.com>
Message-ID: <a8gu9achv1@208.206.142.95>
Source record: 4546
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Joe S." wrote:
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....when they don't have a proper ground plane.

562. WTD: Yaesu FTS17 CTCSS tone board

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 07:37:15 UTC
From: Tony Baard <TONYB@ITS.uct.ac.za>
Message-ID: <3CAC02AB.B6AEFD9B@ITS.uct.ac.za>
Source record: 4547
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,uk.radio.amateur

Hi there!

A fellow amateur is looking for 2 (two) FTS17 tone boards for the Yaesu FT-23 and FT-411 handheld radios.

If you have any surplus to requirements, please email Andrew at zr1sbm@freemail.absa.co.za

Thanks in advance!

Regards.

563. Re: VEC Question Pools

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 08:22:22 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <a8h2fu$13r$6@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4548

Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net> wrote:
> ALL ham radio question pools fro the US must be the same. Just be sure
> to get the latest update.

> Some forms may have an explinaton of the answers but the part where you
> answer A,B,C, or D must read the same. If you want to pass the test
> then get the book that has just the questons and answers and don't get
> the longer versions that can confuse you.

What's wrong with the longer versions - if they actually teach you some
theory?

--
Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

564. THX ALL - FEEDBACK AND MORE HELP PLEASE?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 09:31:48 UTC
From: Simon Pearson <simon@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3CAC1D84.9020000@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk>
Source record: 4549
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Simon Pearson wrote:

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> vertical antenna, would they please let me know?
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> Many thanks.
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> 73...
> Simon, M0CLW
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Hi folks,

PHEW! Thanks to everyone who replied to me, both personally, and through the newsgroups.

I've had quite a mixed response from people saying that verticals only work best for over the sea, and horizontally polarized antennas work better over land.

But I've had people saying that the GAP works well, on all bands, both on RX and TX for DX only (EU stuff on the 5RV)! Oh and the Force 12 Sigma-V vertical.

I have also been pointed at the 'CobWebb' antenna - which is claimed to have 5 - 7dBi gain on all bands. The ham which pointed me in the direction of this antenna... Take a look at http://www.g3tpw.ukgateway.net/ - although I'm limited for space, I

might just about get away with this.

Looks like I might stick with a horizontally-polarized antenna for now - looks like they may be best for contesting. Has anyone else got any more suggestions?

Thanks in advance,

73

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- Simon Pearson, M0CLW
- Remove 'REMOVE' from my email address to reply.

565. Re: THX ALL - FEEDBACK AND MORE HELP PLEASE?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 10:12:45 UTC
From: brian.g0ukbREMOVETHIS@virgin.net
Message-ID: <Xns91E6727D4B53Abejoneshursleyibmcom@130.133.1.4>
Source record: 4450
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Simon
been out of the country for a couple of weeks but missed the threads
so hopefully this isn't a mere repeat of other folks.

I use G5RVs quite often at temporary stations - they are not my favourite
antenna but do allow simple operator as most inbuilt rig ATUs can tune
them. I usually find the coax feed length critical if they are to be tuned
OK on all bands (normally we have a problem with 15m, sometimes 10m).

For real contesting you will need a directional antenna and, of course, for
worldwide contesting, it needs to be steerable. Don't know about you but I
have neither money, nor space, nor neighbours for a 3 ele beam on 20m let
alone 80m.

IMHO the best simple antenna is a doublet, ie a dipole fed with ribbon line
to a balanced ATU. The John Hey book Practical Wire Antennas has details of
lengths to avoid. I run 102' doublet fed by commercial 450 ohm ladder line.
Ideally this should go to a balanced ATU but because I need to feed it via
coax to my XYL's shack as well as mine I terminate the ladder line outside
with a commercial (Radio Works) 4:1 balun and use a very short coax run to
my Elecraft K2 inbuilt ATU. This seems to work pretty well. My previous
antenna was a windom, again with a 4:1 balun, this time at the feedpoint,
with coax to the rig. I think the doublet is marginally better (I have it
about 8' higher at 35' which also helps) and between them I have 150+ DXCC
countries on 10W SSB.

As a comparison I also have a Cushcraft R7 vertical. This tunes up on all
bands 40-10m without the need for an ATU and gets reasonable reviews for a
vertical - it has the plus point that it doesn't require ground radials. I
typically got 1-2 S-points more on the Windom and now 2 S-points more on
the doublet. Occassionally the R7 performs as well or possibly mariginally
better than the doublet (particularly on 40m) depending on direction and
skip.

Hope this is of use.

Brian G0UKB

566. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 10:25:41 UTC
From: Walt Davidson <walt99@tiscali.co.uk>
Message-ID: <op9oau0i61gr2lfq0hdo72k2kmhur86u1s@4ax.com>
Source record: 4451
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On 4 Apr 2002 07:10:34 GMT, Dick Carroll <dixie@townsqr.com> wrote:

>"Joe S." wrote:
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>....when they don't have a proper ground plane.

And for that, you are talking about a minimum of 100 buried radials.

73 de G3NYY

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Walt Davidson Email: g3nyy @freeuk.com

567. Re: VEC Question Pools

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 10:45:52 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <3CAC2EE0.F9238832@dialpoint.net>
Source record: 4452

To pass the test all you need to do is to memorise the correct answer to the question. All the other stuff is just confusion. To really learn about ham radio requires much more than the small ammount of info given in the Q&A book. Some people just want to get in to ham radio to just talk and are not interisted at all in the techinecal aspects of how the stuff works. No need n adding to their confusion.

I have been a ham for about 30 years. Stayed at the Technician level for about 25 of those years. I did not care to get on and just talk but wanted to play with the equipment. Never did see any big deal for what I wanted to do on the low bands. Finally decided to upgrade and for the Advanced class I never saw the Q&A book. Passsed that on first try and when I finally got up to 20 wpm (old rules) I did read over the the Q&A one time .

Bill Nelson wrote:

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568. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 11:59:09 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204040359.1ad0f36c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4453
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

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I've felt your pain at a couple of field days. The G5RV didn't do much
for me either...
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> So, I'm now looking at vertical antennas. I was wondering how well they
> perform, both on TX and RX, but am looking for a vertical with the
> following:
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> vertical antenna, would they please let me know?

You are trying to paint a 16 color picture with 1 color. What would be
good will depend on the band you prefer. I get the hunch you want all
of them, but getting "contest buster" performance on all bands with a
single antenna is gonna be tuff. I'm not a great fan of the GAP
designs. They use intentional resistance to get a better match. Also
they claim that elevating the feedpoint cuts the need for radials.
Don't believe it. Myself, using intentional resistance is something I
can't quite stomach. You have enough problems with unintentional
losses to need any extra. Mostly ground losses with a vertical.
Being you don't want radials , I would totally rule out a vertical
unless you use an elevated "1/2" type vertical like the cushcraft R7
or whatever. For 20-10 meters that will give you the best performance
with no radials. The higher, the better. What you probably should do
is improve the wire antenna you have.
Maybe concentrate on fewer bands , so you can use better antennas. A
regular coax fed dipole using no tuner will seem like a miracle worker
compared to the average G5RV with the tuner losses it has , and the
stuff they stick in the feedline. You can use some on more than one
band. A 40 meter coax fed dipole will work 15m pretty well. The SWR
might be a tad high, but you could lower that with a tuner.
At least you know that most of the power that leaves your radio or

tuner will make it to the antenna and radiate. The losses in coax with a low SWR are very low on the HF bands. You have many options for good antennas with some gain, but they tend to be single band unless you use ladder line. Say you like 20m... Try an extended double zepp. Thats good for nearly 3 db broadside. Like 10m? Most 1/2 and 5/8 wave CB antennas work well on 10m. They will outdo most multiband amateur verticals by a sizable amount. A small yagi even better.
If you like 80 or 40 meters, I would stick with coax fed dipoles. Don't use a tuner. You can run both sets on the same feedline if you want." Parallel" Will work much better than the average G5RV. 80m, no contest. Of course, for the low bands, a vertical is usually best for long haul dx, but you need a REALï¿½ vertical with lots of radials under it. I mean like 30-60 for a ground mount. If you can't deal with that, I'd stay with coax fed dipoles. Thats the best you are going to do on a fairly small scale. If you must have an all band antenna, I'd use a 130 ft dipole fed with 450 ladder line the whole way to a good tuner. Or use Cecils no tuner method. Always use the least amount of inductance to tune. Using too much will cost you 20% of your power in many cases. This is why I prefer coax fed and no tuner. Even using the least inductance, I can still tell a difference. You waste very little power with coax. I ran a coax fed dipole at 40 ft for 20m SSTV and I don't think there was a single time anyone couldn't hear me. I worked many dx stations with 40w of video. They didn't receive snow flurry pix either... :) If I'm S7 with the dipole, I'd only be about 1-1.5 S units stronger if I was running a full size 3 el yagi at the same height. Only with very weak signal levels would it be enough to make a real difference.
You'll never be as loud as the big strappers with big tall yagi's and 1500w amps, so get used to waiting in line. You can make it once they get through. MK

569. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 12:47:59 UTC
From: Andy Cowley <andy.cowley@uwe.ac.uk>
Message-ID: <3CAC4CFC.E40A4F8D@uwe.ac.uk>
Source record: 4454
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

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> 73...
> Simon, M0CLW

Dear Simon,

Your G5RV will be improved by replacing the coax with
more widowed twin line and using a balanced ATU. You
may have a rig with a built in ATU but these don't have
the amount of adjustment needed to tune up all bands.
They are really only useful for matching to a linear
or correcting a slightly off resonance antenna. Have
a look at
http://www.cebik.com/
for the best on-line antenna info.

Other replies have pointed out some of the advantages
and disadvantages of verticals. If you live close to
neighbours you may find that a vertical causes many
more EMC problems than a horizontally polarised antenna
and, as others have stated, will pick up a lot more
local noise.

The G5RV may well radiate from the feed line as it is normally driven unbalanced. A doublet will be more effective if it is driven balanced and it will then only radiate from the antenna and not from the feed line.

vy 73

Andy, M3ABC

570. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 13:38:21 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <a8hl0d$89e$1@paris.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4455
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Walt Davidson sez -
> And for that, you are talking about a minimum of 100 buried radials.
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Walt, nonsense !

With a 1/4-wave vertical, 99 times out of a hundred 8 or 16 or 32 at most
are quite good enough. You've been plagiarising the old wives utterances yet
again. ;o)

571. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 14:17:41 UTC
From: w9wi@linux1.localdomain
Message-ID: <slrnaaooa0.924.w9wi@linux1.localdomain>
Source record: 4456
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On Wed, 3 Apr 2002 19:37:01 +0100, Simon Pearson <simon@technetics.co.uk> wrote:
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>perform, both on TX and RX, but am looking for a vertical with the
>following:

I think KB7QHC is right - you are unlikely to be much happier with a
vertical than you are with the G5RV. (and I'm sure the G5RV was much less
expensive!)

One antenna I've had surprisingly good luck with is a Windom. It's a
dipole, but off-center fed. 26.8m on one side, 13.4m on the other. Use a
4:1 balun, either at the feedpoint or connected to the feedpoint through
some length of 300-ohm flat TV antenna feedline. I'm told (but haven't
tried) that you can halve those dimensions if necessary - losing 80 meters
but not affecting the other bands.

That's what I use on my second radio for two-radio contesting. It's no
competition for the tribander, but it's pretty effective. Whether it would
beat a G5RV I don't know.
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Doug Smith W9WI
Pleasant View (Nashville), TN EM66
http://www.w9wi.com

572. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 14:26:03 UTC
From: Cathexis@yourhaterols.com
Message-ID: <3cac59b9.230625179@news.erols.com>
Source record: 4457
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On Thu, 04 Apr 2002 11:25:41 +0100, Walt Davidson <walt99@tiscali.co.uk> wrote:

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>Walt Davidson Email: g3nyy @freeuk.com

It's my understanding that the number of radials is
also dependent on the height of the verttical above ground.
That is, the feedpoint. Furthermore, the greater the height,
the lower the take-off angle; a key consideration for any DX
work.

With dipoles it's *horizontal* length that's needed.
I can't tell how you many times I've sighed when I read
someone saying, " First you string 135 ft. of wire."
So easy to type, so impossible for many of us to do.

I use trees for height and support, but they also lock
you onto anchor points that may leave your broadside working
OX and you working the world off your dipole tips. Dog-legging
effectively destroys dipole gain. Using comm'l towers implies
serious money for any real height. Using Beam-type antennas
like Quads and Yagis locks you into fewer bands unless you
have both money *and* real estate. Using homebrew masts can
often mean loss of real height and still may not be practical due to
trees or other obstructions. And let's not forget we loose a chunk
of the yard as we dare not cross the dreaded power line !

In other words, this is the fun-stuff !

Andrew / KG4JBM
Reticulum

Remove "your.hat" when replying via e-mail

573. Re: Yaesu FTS17 CTCSS tone board

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 15:01:27 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwk@oinospamtesco.net>
Message-ID: <CVZq8.5478$8q1.909483@news2-win.server.ntlworld.com>
Source record: 4458
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,uk.radio.amateur

"Tony Baard" <TONYB@ITS.uct.ac.za> wrote in message
news:3CAC02AB.B6AEFD9B@ITS.uct.ac.za...
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> FT-23 and FT-411 handheld radios.
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> If you have any surplus to requirements, please email Andrew at
> zr1sbm@freemail.absa.co.za
>
> Thanks in advance!
> Regards.
>
I could do with one for my FT411

I think the PMR version of the FT23 uses them ?
many surplus now

Steve Terry

574. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 15:12:00 UTC
From: VE3TMT <ve3tmt@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <R4_q8.15404$iU6.2573249@news20.bellglobal.com>
Source record: 4459
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

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> I can't tell how you many times I've sighed when I read
> someone saying, " First you string 135 ft. of wire."
> So easy to type, so impossible for many of us to do.

I have to agree. I not only haven't got the room to put up a dipole (unless 16' counts!), nor a G5RV, or any tree to hide anything in. I am prohibited from putting up any kind of outdoor antenna whatsoever. So anything I can manage to stick up has to be disquised. You've heard of the antenna that looks like a flagpole, well I have an antenna that looks like a hedge! I have no wire fencing to support anything. I can run a longwire against my brick wall, but we know how well that will do. I would love to try the Isotrons but they are so expensive. I just keep trying different types of hidden antennas until I find one that works. They ALL receive well but don't radiate worth a darn. This is what I love about the hobby.

Anybody got a spare 20m Isotron laying around they want to see put to use?

575. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 15:24:12 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwk@oinospamtesco.net>
Message-ID: <Xe_q8.5567$8q1.931466@news2-win.server.ntlworld.com>
Source record: 4460
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Date: 2002-04-04 15:42:03 UTC
From: VE3TMT <ve3tmt@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <Rx_q8.15503$iU6.2586948@news20.bellglobal.com>
Source record: 4461
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

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Apartments above me and on both sides! I could possibly put an Isotron in
one of the upstairs bedrooms. That would get me about 30' off the ground.

577. FA: 1/4" telephone/audio jacks, plugs, hardware for patch bay

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 16:04:45 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cad7992.213318816@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4462

FA: 1/4" telephone/audio jacks, plugs, hardware for patch bay

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1344033924

578. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 16:43:06 UTC
From: RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk>
Message-ID: <jh0paughetn14ck6vs68hhg44rq4brdqvu@4ax.com>
Source record: 4463
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Malcolm G4CXT wrote:

> If the G5RV is reasonably symmetrical in the air without too many
> obstructions around it, and it is tuned with a properly balanced
> tuner then it will NOT radiate from the feeder on any bands.

I understood that on some lower bands the feeder was
designed to radiate; I would be grateful for a bit more detail on
this. Should the feeder radiate, then as I said , there will be
noise pickup on this on receive, which will degrade the signal-
to-noise ratio.

> If the G5RV is reasonably symmetrical in the air without too many
> obstructions around it, and it is tuned with a properly balanced
> tuner then it will NOT radiate from the feeder on any bands.

> If any of these conditions are not true, however, then there
> may well be some imbalance in the feeder and radiation will
> result - but not by design.

Well, there's many ifs and buts there! And modern gardens
generally don't have so much clear space. But we don't know
the original poster's situation as far as that is concerned.

> ANY multiband antenna of any construction, shape or design is a
> compromise over a single-band, single purpose antenna!

Of course it is.

> Now, to the original question - I have an 80m dipole with tuned
> open-wire feeder at 35ft and a GAP Titan mounted in a reasonably
> clear spot on flat sandy soil. On all bands from 40m to 10m the
> GAP is at least as good as the dipole, and on some bands for
> certain QSOs is better. DX performance on 40m & 30m is generally
> better on the vertical, but mainly because of reduced european
> signal levels.

I'm sorry to say that the statement that "On all bands from 40m
to 10m the GAP is at least as good as the dipole, and on
some bands for certain QSOs is better" is the sort of
sweeping generality that ignores the fundamentals and as a
consequence gets some antennas a bad name where it isn't
deserved, and some a good name that isn't deserved either.
You are simply comparing apples and oranges here. Your
'dipole' (by which I think you mean a doublet resonant on 80m)
has a variation in radiation pattern as a function of band that

simply doesn't exist in the same form with a vertical. On some bands you could be operating with a major lobe (with gain!) to a target area, and on a different band the same target area could be in a null (with negative gain!). This alone could give rise to the basis for your statement, but it isn't as a comparison of a vertical and doublet on otherwise equal terms - it is as a function of the changing radiation pattern of the doublet!

This is why I said to the original poster to mug up on antenna radiation patterns, decide what he can put up in his own particular location, and operate accordingly using the advantages of the chosen antenna to the maximum, and being mindful of it's disadvantages

> As somebody said before 80m performance is poor
> on the GAP. Its not a mirical antenna, but its at least as good
> as any other multi-bander and has a good bandwidth on all bands
> except 80m. It also costs a lot of money ... a lot more than I
> had when I was 16!

Biut WHY is 80m performance 'poor' for the GAP? Over what ranges? Day or night? Seasons? These are all important factors. What other fundamentals are being ignored here - if any! I'm not familiar with this antenna, so can't really comment apart from raising the obvious questions.

> But it just could be Neither of these antennas will be
> competitive in large contests on any bands .... you need a 3kW
> amplifier and all controls turned to maximum (especially the
> speech processor) to join in! (It also helps if you listen on
> the frequency before transmitting, but that appears to be
> optional!)

LOL! I've got to agree with you there. But I also tried to say to the original poster that with a system designed by him, where its good and bad points are known and explored, he could have a reasonable shot at contesting; but he'll have to bear in mind the points you've just raised. It boils down to station design and operating skill, something one has to learn....usually the hard way, but not necessarily expensively so. And picking the right contests - about which I can't offer any advice.

Thanks for responding, I quite enjoyed this. I hope we haven't left the original poster behind or forgotten his needs. As I said, you can't teach it - or learn it - all in one posting. Antennas can and have formed the basis of lifelong experimentation for some amateurs. It's a topic I personally find fascinating.

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from
RVMJ

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579. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 17:35:46 UTC
From: Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <uo3pau836hka0l8hg9knr62oocvep2mk7n@4ax.com>
Source record: 4464
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On Thu, 04 Apr 2002 02:23:17 GMT, 'Doc <w5lz@icok.net> wrote:

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>Simon,
> Any antenna will benifit from having a good ground
>under it, the 'Gap' antennas also. While I'm not much
>of a 'G5RV' fan, it will work as well, or better, than
>any of the 'no-radial' vertical antennas on the market.
>As someone has already said, elevation will do more for
>you than anything else will, with the G5RV.
> The 'Gap' antennas may not have the 'classic' style
>of traps, but they do use devices that serve the same
>purpose, and have about the same 'losses'. The 'trapless'
>thing is a sales gimmic, and should be treated as such,
>lump it in the same catagory as their 'gain' figures...
> 'Doc

Hi Doc,

I have operated with a Gap for years and have noted absolutely no loss
whatever. Could you elaborate?

73's
Richard Clark, KB7QHC

580. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 17:37:34 UTC
From: Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <2u3pauccmiuqp5ffgc1pr66hdtbt59319s@4ax.com>
Source record: 4465
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On 4 Apr 2002 03:59:09 -0800, nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote:

> I'm not a great fan of the GAP
>designs. They use intentional resistance to get a better match.

Hi Mark,

Having assembled and used a Gap, I must've missed that resistor.
Where does it go?

73's
Richard Clark, KB7QHC

581. Re: THX ALL - FEEDBACK AND MORE HELP PLEASE?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 17:41:13 UTC
From: Cathexis@yourhaterols.com
Message-ID: <3cac857a.241827818@news.erols.com>
Source record: 4466
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Simon,

Well, by now you've probably noticed several things:

1. That you got a lot of educated responses to your query.

2. That most of them were confidently presented as the " last word."

3. That many of them seem at odds with each other, so now what?

Welcome to Ham Radio ! I absolutely promise that any antenna thread,
if it should continue long enough will get increasingly opinionated and
end up in a flame war eventually. The outcome is rarely for the sqeamish.

So what's my two cents worth? Well, I would emphasize what maybe
others have implied without always saying: You and your unique QTH are the
deciding factors. All the design in the world won't squeeze a 200ft. tower in a
townhouse backyard, etc., etc.

I would urge you to do a lot more careful measuring. You need to view
your lot as a series anchor points and elevations bounded by property lines. You
must think in a 3-D fashion. You might even find it real fun- like a puzzle !
Even one tree and one roof offer myriad possiblities. An IMPORTANT consideration
to remember is that while that broad-band dipole might have a pretty figure-8 on
one band it might have annoying minor lobes on the frequency you'll use the
most. Furthermore, while the major lobes at one freq. may be pointed at your DX
target, on another freq. that target may be lost to you because those minor
lobes have killed your ability to reach that DX. What works well to Europe on
one band could end up pointed at Greenland on another using the same antenna.
No kidding.

Your best tools outside will be a tape measure and a compass. You need
both. Don't guess your headings because remember your major lobes will alter as
you move from band to band. Your best tools inside are caculator, PC, internet
and however many books you've time and energy for. The time spent actually
building and hoisting your antenna should be no more than 15-20% of your total
time on the project -- even if you buy a commercial one. The Cobweb doesn't
impress me personally because it looks like the reason it radiates equally well
in all directions is because ot has gain in none of them. Dipoles are the
cheapest and easiest gain-for-money there is; Why throw it away ??

BUT BE WARNED:

Because if you do your homework properly you're going to discover
one of the TERRIBLE TRUTHS of Ham Radio; That, as we gain experieince
and knowledge, ultimately the sum of our talents and abilities will exceed what

our time, our money, our families, our real estate, and our community allow.
And nothing will get you through that wall.

(You said you're 16; If you're sharing this with your Pop he might tell you
there's a lot of other things in life that work just like that. Just ask him.)

73 es Gud DX de KG4JBM / Andrew
Reticulum

Remove "your.hat" when replying via e-mail

582. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 17:43:19 UTC
From: Dick Carroll <dixie@townsqr.com>
Message-ID: <a8i3bn$k6r$0@208.207.71.158>
Source record: 4467
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

I'd be surprised if you're happy with the performance of an Isotron,
tho it will be better than nothing. Better to make up a short dipole.

A couple years ago there was an article in Worldradio magazine
describing a dipole with sprialwound end loading coils that was only 12
feet long on 40 meters, and could be about half that on 20. If I recall
the total length of the antenna elements plus the spirals equals a
halfwave. I don't have a reference at hand, maybe someone does. It used
aluminum Radio Shack ground wire for the spirals. You might be able to
make up one of those and hang it out an upstairs window when you want to
operate, or just temporarily mount it as high as you can
on the ground and take it down after use. Something you can come up with
will work well enough to get you on the air. Keep trying.

Dick

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583. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 17:45:53 UTC
From: lucifer@eternal-flames.gov
Message-ID: <3cac8ef9.2197371@news.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4468
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On Thu, 4 Apr 2002 12:47:59 GMT, Andy Cowley <andy.cowley@uwe.ac.uk>
wrote:

>Your G5RV will be improved by replacing the coax with
>more widowed twin line

The married sort is just too much trouble. :-)

584. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 17:50:39 UTC
From: Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <rj4pauor1e9eli509abjj75p8c1d8j30r2@4ax.com>
Source record: 4469
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On 4 Apr 2002 07:10:34 GMT, Dick Carroll <dixie@townsqr.com> wrote:

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>"Joe S." wrote:
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>> Verticals radiate equally poorly in all directions.
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>....when they don't have a proper ground plane.

Hi All,

The original comment belies the obvious comparison to the horizontal
on the same basis:
Horizontals radiate uselessly up and down.

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Richard Clark, KB7QHC

585. Re: Vertical Antennas

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From: RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk>
Message-ID: <426pauogvgokk784d6orul1t65r49i3t87@4ax.com>
Source record: 4470
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Reg Edwards wrote:

>With a 1/4-wave vertical, 99 times out of a hundred 8 or 16 or 32 at most
>are quite good enough.

Rubbish. The more the better. One radial per degree (=360) isn't too
many. And it isn't a factor of two either.

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from
RVMJ
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586. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 18:21:00 UTC
From: RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk>
Message-ID: <p86pauo08472ri2q9uep5krdss51amf296@4ax.com>
Source record: 4471
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Reticulum wrote:

>It's my understanding that the number of radials is
>also dependent on the height of the verttical above ground.
>That is, the feedpoint.

That just isn't so. The more radials the better. They look a obtrusive
attached to a mast-mounted vertical.

>Furthermore, the greater the height,
>the lower the take-off angle; a key consideration for any DX
>work.

Right on!

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from
RVMJ
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587. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 19:47:06 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <a8iajqknb1@paris.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4472
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Dear RVMJ,

Wrong ! When a 1/4-wave vertical is 1/2-wave or more above ground there is nothing to be gained by having more than a single 1/4-wave radial. I know it's difficult for a non-mathematician to take in, but you can't have anything more than 100% efficient.

588. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 20:27:49 UTC
From: Malcolm <gee4ceeexxtee@beeteeinternetdot.com>
Message-ID: <TE2r8.11373$OP.458324@stones>
Source record: 4473
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

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> to-noise ratio.

The original design of the G5RV is a 3 half-waves doublet for 20m - on which band it can be outstanding in the favoured directions - it is not a compromise antenna here by any means! On the other bands (exc WARC) the feeder length & impedance has been carefully choosen to present a 'reasonable' match to a valve amplifier - certainly one that can be tuned out.

Modern transceivers will always demand a better match, therefore a tuner should always be used - and preferably a balanced one. (Note, most if not all commercial ATUs are not balanced. Some have a balun at the antenna input which is a pretty dodgy trick on high impedance or highly reactive loads).

Under these conditions there is no *intended* feeder radiation.

Many articles on the G5RV show it being used with the feeders strapped together and tuned against ground on 160m. This of course is ALL feeder radiation, and none off the top, but its not a G5RV anymore, its a top-loaded Marconi vertical!

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> generally don't have so much clear space. But we don't know
> the original poster's situation as far as that is concerned.

Absolutely - coupled with the fact that "commercial" G5RV antennas (I really don't know why people pay all that money, but there you go!) have a coax

transformation at the end of the ribbon feeder and if tuned at all will be by an unbalanced tuner - so in reality a good proportion of G5RV antennas will exhibit feeder radiation, and hence behave differently from that predicted.

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> to 10m the GAP is at least as good as the dipole, and on
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> consequence gets some antennas a bad name where it isn't
> deserved, and some a good name that isn't deserved either.

I agree completely - as a professional radio engineer! Its simply an operational observation, and as you point out is pretty worthless, other than to verify that both antennas are obviously working!

By way of defence I once had a small vertical antenna with a trap in it - and this performed consistently worse than a horizontal dipole, so subjectively I concluded that the trap was contributing a discernable loss.

By making such a sweeping statement you might at least deduce that you wouldn't be completely wasting your money!

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> 'dipole' (by which I think you mean a doublet resonant on 80m)
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> rise to the basis for your statement, but it isn't as a comparison
> of a vertical and doublet on otherwise equal terms - it is as a
> function of the changing radiation pattern of the doublet!

Quite right - and also the vertical antenna to boot - which is affected by its surroundings up to about 20 wavelengths away, which in my case includes houses & trees!
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> particular location, and operate accordingly using the
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Excellent advice - and that is why I have a great circle map on the back of the door with all local obstructions & antenna orientations for my garden marked up on it!
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> ranges? Day or night? Seasons? These are all important

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> any! I'm not familiar with this antenna, so can't really comment
> apart from raising the obvious questions.

All good questions - but fundamentally this antenna is too short to be an effective radiator at this frequency - though it does resonate as designed, and is quite effective as a receive antenna as the Eu/DX noise ratios are different (another sweeping generalisation, of course!)
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I agree - I am moderately successful at some HF CW contests - by picking ones which match my limited availability & equipment. eg a short European contest with a 100W section where predominant QSOs are on 80 & 40 - operated with a lowish dipole can give a good placing.

The best contests are those where high power & big antennas do not dominate all the tables .... try ROPOCO this sunday morning on 80m for example.
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> left the original poster behind or forgotten his needs. As I said,
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> and have formed the basis of lifelong experimentation for
> some amateurs. It's a topic I personally find fascinating.

Yes - I've been playing with antennas since 1973 and still have a lot to learn. Apart from VHF yagis the only antenna I ever paid real money for was the GAP vertical - and that was because I was living in a block of flats at the time in another country and needed something which was fed with a single coax from 5 floors below, worked on all bands and was simple to erect. Most of the time its suck it and see, and its very difficult indeed to be objective about performance. However, one field day some years ago I designed (as in with sums and theory!) a 4 element vertical antenna for 40m, fixed on the USA. Everything checked out on site with a field strength meter, but it wasn't until about 2 am when we had the first call from the US that I really know it was working ... we switched from the standard 40m

antenna (a delta loop) to the beam. The European noise all but disappeared, and the US signal hit the end stop! Now, that was job satisfaction. We didn't win NFD that year though, only came second! (G3RAC/P in case you are wondering).

Thanks for the oportunity for the debate - but why the secrecy?
> --
> from
> RVMJ

Cheers

Malcolm G4CXT

589. Re: Fast-scan ATV needs incidental music exemption

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 20:32:01 UTC
From: K0HB <KAYZEROHOTELBRAVO@ELECTRIC_SMOKE.NET>
Message-ID: <5L2r8.16576$ml2.1281362@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4474
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy

"Robert Casey" <wa2ise@ix.netcom.com> wrote

>
> Ask someone at the ARRL before the FCC. If it falls in a gray
> area, then it may be legal. But if you ask someone at the FCC,
> they will probably say "no" to cover their ass in a gray situation.
>

In 97.113(a)(4) it is clearly prohibited. ARRL cannot change that. The
only solution is a petition to the FCC for a rule change.

With all kind wishes,

de Hans, K0HB

590. Re: THX ALL - FEEDBACK AND MORE HELP PLEASE?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 20:41:44 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204041241.5b5bd772@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4475
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Simon Pearson <simon@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk> wrote in message
news:<3CAC1D84.9020000@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk>...
> Simon Pearson wrote:
>
> > Hi,
> >
> > I'm 16, and have been licensed for just over a year now. I currently have
> > G5RV, and am quite disappointed with it.
> >
> > My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really cut
> > the cake when it comes to contesting!
> >
> > So, I'm now looking at vertical antennas. I was wondering how well they
> > perform, both on TX and RX, but am looking for a vertical with the
> > following:
> >
> > - No traps
> > - No need for long (or any) counterpoises/radials
> >
> > I have come across the GAP TITAN DX, but if anyone knows a good performing
> > vertical antenna, would they please let me know?
> >
> > Many thanks.
> >
> > 73...
> > Simon, M0CLW
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>
> Hi folks,
>
> PHEW! Thanks to everyone who replied to me, both personally, and through
> the newsgroups.
>
> I've had quite a mixed response from people saying that verticals only
> work best for over the sea, and horizontally polarized antennas work
> better over land.

Thats silly. The only type of ground that really matters is whats
under the antenna, and the ground quality in your local area as it
apples to the far field.
What really matters assuming both types are properly installed, is

what band, distance, time of day, etc. I'm on land and I use both at
times. Which I would use will depend on the distance and path. On 40m
I ran a dipole at 36 ft, and also a full size 1/4 wave ground plane at
36 ft. if I were working regional distances out to about 800 miles,
the dipole will almost always be better.
Past 1000 miles the vertical would almost always be better. At 1500
miles at night, the ground plane would be 2 s units stronger than my
dipole. From Texas to VK land, 4 s units. But if I woke up the next
day and decided to work Dallas from Houston, I better get on the
dipole if I want the best signal. As you can see the ground doesn't
mean anything as long as you take it into account when designing the
antenna. If you are on lossy earth, that just means you have to use
more radials to reduce the ground losses to an acceptable level. As
another comparison on 40m, lets compare my 9 ft mobile antenna on my
car to my 36 ft dipole at the house. Everyone knows the dipole is much
more efficient. Thats a given. But that still doesn't stop my mobile
antenna from outdoing my dipole at 800 miles or more at night. Why?
The radiation from the mobile antenna just happens to be strong at the
angles I want when talking that distance. Being the dipole at 36 ft
shoots mostly straight up or at fairly high angles, it loses in that
case. This blows the whole ground vs water, etc theory out of the
water. My mobile was sitting in front of my house in the driveway, not
at the beach. It would perform better at the beach, but it's certainly
not required.
>
> But I've had people saying that the GAP works well, on all bands, both
> on RX and TX for DX only (EU stuff on the 5RV)! Oh and the Force 12
> Sigma-V vertical.

The GAP might seem to work ok if you have nothing better, but believe
me, as antennas go, it's pretty lame. I wouldn't stick one up if
someone gave me one free. I'd sell it and build or buy a real antenna
that has no hidden resistances.
>
> I have also been pointed at the 'CobWebb' antenna - which is claimed to
> have 5 - 7dBi gain on all bands.

Whoever claimed this is on some kind of drugs. Or they use the effects
of ground to "bolster" the antennas performance without mentioning
they are including ground effects. I hate it when people do that.
Really irks me... A cobwebb is a folded back dipole. It has LESS gain
then a normal straight dipole.

The ham which pointed me in the
> direction of this antenna... Take a look at
> http://www.g3tpw.ukgateway.net/ - although I'm limited for space, I
> might just about get away with this.
>
> Looks like I might stick with a horizontally-polarized antenna for now -
> looks like they may be best for contesting. Has anyone else got any more
> suggestions?

Not really. I've already about covered it in my other post. If you stick with wire antennas, coax fed dipoles or a tunerless ladder line system are the best. Ladder line all the way to a good tuner is the next best. It all goes downhill from there. MK

591. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 21:49:23 UTC
From: Dick Carroll <dixie@townsqr.com>
Message-ID: <a8ihp3$8o$0@208.206.142.65>
Source record: 4476
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Reg Edwards wrote:
>
> RVMJ wrote
> > Reticulum wrote:
> > >It's my understanding that the number of radials is
> > >also dependent on the height of the verttical above ground.
> > >That is, the feedpoint.
> >
> > That just isn't so. The more radials the better.
> ==========
> Dear RVMJ,
>
> Wrong ! When a 1/4-wave vertical is 1/2-wave or more above ground there is
> nothing to be gained by having more than a single 1/4-wave radial.

At that point, a vertically mounted dipole does the job.

I know
> it's difficult for a non-mathematician to take in, but you can't have
> anything more than 100% efficient.

Don't bet on it. :-)

592. Re: Ground

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 21:58:12 UTC
From: Arthur Jernberg <stubby@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <U%3r8.114041$VJ1.9794303@bin3.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4477

In Consumer Electronics "return" normally refers to earth ground and
"reference" refers to chassis ground. Depending on the equipment and it's
particular design there may be a large variance in potential between the
Return (Earth Ground) usually denoted by the downward pointed arrow on a
schematic, and the Reference (Chassis Ground) usually denoted by a flat line
with numerous slanted lines descending from it. Knowing the difference and
acknowledging them can be life saving. Cheers & 73
"Paul J. Wolsko" <pwolsko@optonline.net> wrote in message
news:ud7k8.5819$S%4.576988@news02.optonline.net...
> Does anyone have a simple definition for "Ground"? I "know" what it is,
but
> I have a difficult time explaining it. Some people call it a "Return".
> Return to what? Every telephone pole is gounded - has, stapled to it a
rod
> that's driven 6' into the earth and, from the pole (in front of your
house,
> perhaps) comes the "Ground" for your home's electrical system.
>
> Paul, KC2FNC
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>

593. Re: reception

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 22:04:07 UTC
From: Arthur Jernberg <stubby@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <r54r8.2387$%i.184640@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4478

It is probable he is receiving a lot of reflected image signals from the surrounding buildings. I agree, a good log parabolic yagi pointed at the strongest signal source may suffice. The strongest signal may or may not be directly attained by pointing the antennae specifically at the station tower. Occasionally, in large metro cities, the reflected signals can attain fairly significant levels. 73
"milt" <eapoe@excite.com> wrote in message
news:13f2ebf3.0203101535.2673e73f@posting.google.com...
> i live in central new york city (manhattan) and like to record off
> local fm stations, particularly small and college stations. trouble is
> i rarely get a clean signal. it seems to depend mostly on the weather,
> even for stations only 1=2 miles away. i have relatively low=end
> components, including a $75 Terk powered antenna. i wonder if better
> equipment would help. or could it be the jumble of wires connecting
> everything is creating interference? i would appreciate any
> suggestions. milt
>

594. Re: Grounding equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-04 22:11:50 UTC
From: Arthur Jernberg <stubby@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <Gc4r8.232263$2q2.20382510@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4479

Agreed: referring to the radiated RFI. Lots of complaints are a result of poor quality connections at the offending receivers, or even in the cable drops to the residences.
Grounding: We normally ran a good 8' copper ground rod into the earth and ran #10 Gauge Stranded copper wire off it to the area where we installed the transmitters. Constructing a open buss using the stranded copper wire and soldering the ground feeds from the transmitters and amps directly to this home rigged buss. Also connecting the ground shields of the transmission cables. It did not look like the custom milled and housed ones that you can buy now but it worked..
"vhfradiobuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.com> wrote in message news:5e5fccab.0203071246.27dd74aa@posting.google.com...
> As I get ready to move into a new QTH, I'd like to try to get
> everything grounded, to help reduce the chance of RFI to my neighbors.
> I am considering buying something off of Ebay that says it's a "HEAVY
> DUTY GROUND BUSS WITH 27 CONNECTIONS" and it's at
> http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1337605421. Can
> anyone tell me if something like this is really useful? From what I've
> read at the ARRL website on grounding, it's important to ground
> everything and this might be a good solution.
>

595. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 02:38:12 UTC
From: "n7ws at yahoo.com"
Message-ID: <3cad0544.31086525@news.triconet.org>
Source record: 4480
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On Thu, 4 Apr 2002 21:27:49 +0100, "Malcolm"
<gee4ceeexxtee@beeteeinternetdot.com> wrote:

|Many articles on the G5RV show it being used with the feeders strapped
|together and tuned against ground on 160m. This of course is ALL feeder
|radiation, and none off the top, but its not a G5RV anymore, its a
|top-loaded Marconi vertical!

Actually, one of those articles is the original Varney paper.

(http://users.triconet.org/wesandlinda/g5rv.pdf)

So, by the popular criteria that the antenna described by Varney is a "G5RV",
this configuration *is* a "G5RV" too, although Varney described it as you do.

Actually, Varney's claim to fame is the *magic* 102 foot length. As I have
already claimed in a much earlier post, dipoles 102' in length are "G5RV"s,
balanced(?) line, end-fed wires are "Zepps", off-center-fed dipoles are
"Windoms", dipoles with the ends lower than the center are "Inverted-Vee"s and
all other dipoles are "N7WS"s.

Cheerio

Wes Stewart N7WS

596. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 02:40:32 UTC
From: johnb <borregoj@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <3CAD0FF2.8050603@sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4481
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

love the username.....

lucifer@eternal-flames.gov wrote:

> On Wed, 3 Apr 2002 19:37:01 +0100, "Simon Pearson"
> <simon@technetics.co.uk> wrote:
>
>
>>My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really cut
>>the cake when it comes to contesting!
>>
>
> Have you considered using a knife?
>

597. wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 03:08:43 UTC
From: a5000 <a5000@hvc.rr.com>
Message-ID: <%y8r8.22927$GF1.3649136@typhoon.nyroc.rr.com>
Source record: 4482

Hi,I am looking for an Eddystone 1650/10 or Rohde & Schwarz 895/896.
Thanks George D

598. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 03:43:26 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204041943.6d75516b@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4483
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:<2u3pauccmiuqp5ffgc1pr66hdtbt59319s@4ax.com>...
> On 4 Apr 2002 03:59:09 -0800, nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote:
>
> > I'm not a great fan of the GAP
> >designs. They use intentional resistance to get a better match.
>
> Hi Mark,
>
> Having assembled and used a Gap, I must've missed that resistor.
> Where does it go?
>
> 73's
> Richard Clark, KB7QHC

it was my understanding it was composed of a lot of thin coax wound
into the lower section of the antenna.
But I may be wrong on that. But it's still an inferior antenna no
matter how they made it. It's been carefully compared to other brands
of verticals and lost out. Assuming each type had the same number of
radials under them, which I'm sure they did, if the GAP loses against
other same size verticals, it must have some excess loss somewhere.
I've never heard of one doing that well on 80m. The butternut did
quite a bit better. I'm pretty sure it was W8JI who did this
comparison. I think others have too. There may be something in deja
google...A friend of mine had one and it was near useless mounted in a
manner that they suggest. Someone gave it to him free for that reason.
The first owner couldn't get decent results out of it either.I think
the friend of mine ended up pawning it off on someone else...:/
Myself, I'm not crazy about any of the multiband verticals compared to
a full size monoband vertical. The butternut HF2V is pretty good for
80/40, but I made my own version for peanuts compared to what they
charge. MK

599. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 04:02:22 UTC
From: Stahr <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <il9r8.17757$ml2.1363024@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4484
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Check out this great, actual comparison by Mr. Banz. Helped me decide that
with no space for height and no radials, the GAP Titan DX was the way to go.
I still love it.

http://www.qsl.net/aa3rl/titandtl.html

Best 73 de:
Dennis Stahr - W6NYC

http://www.qsl.net/w6nyc/
Take out "the trash" when return emailing

"Mark Keith" <nm5k@wt.net> wrote in message
news:25eb70d7.0204041943.6d75516b@posting.google.com...
> Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:<2u3pauccmiuqp5ffgc1pr66hdtbt59319s@4ax.com>...
> > On 4 Apr 2002 03:59:09 -0800, nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote:
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> > >designs. They use intentional resistance to get a better match.
> >
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> > Richard Clark, KB7QHC
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> a full size monoband vertical. The butternut HF2V is pretty good for
> 80/40, but I made my own version for peanuts compared to what they
> charge. MK
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600. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 07:29:17 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204042329.521c4c75@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4485
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Stahr" <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net> wrote in message
news:<il9r8.17757$ml2.1363024@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>...
> Check out this great, actual comparison by Mr. Banz. Helped me decide that
> with no space for height and no radials, the GAP Titan DX was the way to go.
> I still love it.
>
> http://www.qsl.net/aa3rl/titandtl.html

There are lots of holes in that test though. For one thing, many of
the "reference" antennas are kind of on the strange side. Lets start
with the 40 meter test which means the most of the bands involved. He
uses a 3/8 wave whip elevated at 5 ft off the ground, with two 20 ft
radials. Now, being these radials are not resonant, and they are
elevated, they are next to useless as far as cutting ground losses. So
he's comparing a homemade fairly lame antenna against a storebought
fairly lame antenna. Now, I'm missing his result table for 40m, but he
states a -7.6 db decrease in average reports against the 3/8 wave
antenna. Now being the 3/8 wave at 5 ft with two fairly useless 20 ft
radials is not a barnburner by any means, it's kind of disturbing that
the gap LOST by 7.6 db. Also I have to wonder how he measured the
differences in DB. Step attenuator?, S meter? , etc. He doesn't say. I
have to presume an attenuator being he can specify the loss in DB. So
anyway, for the poor person running the GAP, he would need about 600w
of power amp to equal the ERP of the person running the fairly lame
3/8 wave. From what I can tell, the only band that the GAP didn't get
beat up on was 20m. And it was a tie. All the rest of the bands it
seems to have lost. Against low insufficiently radialed 3/8 wave
verticals. Now, I have no problem with anyone using a GAP if thats
what they want to use, but I'm curious to why you decided this antenna
was for you, when it got beat up on like a lost step child in this
"great actual comparison"? Inquiring minds wanna know... -11 db on
10m??? -7.8 on 15m, etc, etc ??? Good grief...I think they used the
wrong name. They forgot and left the "C" off the front end...I noticed
he didn't include 80m. Does the titan have 80m? Thats the band where
the testing will mean the most. I guess the thought of posting the
-?????? numbers for 80m was too scary to deal with...
Oh well, another day, another two dollars thirty two cents. MK

601. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 08:23:44 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <kadr8.193$Fp2.133629@monger.newsread.com>
Source record: 4486
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

"Dave Boniface" <g3zxx@twxrg.info> wrote in message
news:7d9cd384.0203260422.372b0669@posting.google.com...
> Hi Mark,
>
> I'm a 6m repeater keeper, GB3WX, in the UK.
>
> We have tried various "White-stick" antennas, as we call them, and
> although quoting significant gains, the polar diagrams left much to be
> desired, in terms of lobes and angle to the horizontal. Gain is not
> everything.
>
> What about the Cushcraft AR6 or ARX6
>
> The AR6 is just a halfwave base fed, and the ARX6 is 2 x halfwave,
> although I'm a bit concerned about the quoted gain. My perceptions is
> that it's just a pair of "close-spaced" halfwaves in phase, and
> therefore the max gain will be about 1.9 dBD at best.
>
> We have been using an AR6, for over a year now, it has withstood gales
> with gusts to 80+ mph and everyone in the group indicated that they
> were getting a stronger signal from the repeater, when we replaced the
> original "white-stick" with the simple half wave.
>
> Hopefully, this will be of some use to you.

Were it me, I might try four folded dipoles made of half inch copper pipe.
Using the standard 90 ohm phasing/matching harness and mounting the antennas
as two pair on each side of the tower to get a pretty symetrical pattern.

One thing to remember is that unless the antenna is on top, the pattern
varies greatly with the spacing between the antenna and tower,.

If I had the fiberglass stick, I'd probably make/build a coaxial antenna and
insert it into the fiberglass stick. Use fiberglass supports, or other good
and strong insulating material as supports to keep the antenna from whipping
around if side mounted. The big top mounted commercial ones are massive and
must weigh close to 100#.

I've used the copper pipe, folded dipoles on 2-meters with good results.
>

--
Roger (K8RI EN73)
WWW.RogerHalstead.com
N833R, World's Oldest Debonair? S#CD-2

> Cheers
> Dave, G3ZXX.

602. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 08:35:44 UTC
From: DrBoris <c.inowskinoyuckymeat@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <widr8.63$6o2.72847@news11-gui.server.ntli.net>
Source record: 4487
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk> wrote in message
news:p86pauo08472ri2q9uep5krdss51amf296@4ax.com...
> Reticulum wrote:
>
> >It's my understanding that the number of radials is
> >also dependent on the height of the verttical above ground.
> >That is, the feedpoint.
>
> That just isn't so. The more radials the better. They look a obtrusive
> attached to a mast-mounted vertical.
>
If you elevate the feedpoint to at least 15 feet, four radials
will perform just as well or better than a ground mounted
vertical with 120 buried radials. This was the conclusion
of K8CFU who took hundreds of field strength measurements
from both configurations (Radcom, Technical Topics April 89).

> >Furthermore, the greater the height,
> >the lower the take-off angle; a key consideration for any DX
> >work.
>
> Right on!
>
> --
> from
> RVMJ
> Remove Safety-&-Arming before e-mailing

603. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 09:42:14 UTC
From: Andy Cowley <andy.cowley@uwe.ac.uk>
Message-ID: <3CAD72F5.E0C48882@uwe.ac.uk>
Source record: 4488
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

lucifer@eternal-flames.gov wrote:
>
> On Thu, 4 Apr 2002 12:47:59 GMT, Andy Cowley <andy.cowley@uwe.ac.uk>
> wrote:
>
> >Your G5RV will be improved by replacing the coax with
> >more widowed twin line
>
> The married sort is just too much trouble. :-)

It's called coax ;-)
Sorry for the typo that beat the spell chequer. Ooops ;-)
Andy

604. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 10:51:19 UTC
From: Per Enocson <per.enocson@telia.com>
Message-ID: <Hkfr8.29899$n4.5923793@newsc.telia.net>
Source record: 4489
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Hi Simon,

Congratulations to your licence!

When I came back to ham radio three years ago, I was in a similar situation. I have now tried a couple of verticals and a couple of multiband wire antennas. I first used a (no radials) Cushcraft R5, which performed reasonably well 20-10 m (their R7 and later R8 are similar designs for 40-10) when mounted high and in the clear. Not that well when mounted on the ground.

But the R5 could never beat my 135 ft flat top fed with 450 ohm ladder line and ATU! I have found the latter to be a surprisingly good antenna here, even though ground conditions and surrounding salt water should be good for a vertical.

I then moved to a Butternut HF2V vertical , trapless design for 80/40, using six 33 ft radials and mounted on at 25 ft above the surrounding ground. This antenna works beautfully on 40, where it is almost full size (32 ft hight) and also, surprisingly well, on 17 m!. Performance on 80 m is satisfactory, although the bandwidth is limited. I wholeheartedly recommend this antenna to anyone interested in 40/80 m dx. I now use it as a multiband antenna 80-15m (it gets a bit long for low angle radiation on 12 and 10 m) with an ATU at its bottom and additional radials.

BUT, again, I have recently tried another wire antenna, this time a horizontal loop , first 42 meters long, then 81 meters , fed with 50 ohm coax and with a low SWR on most bands, in need of a tuner on a few of them. This is my current favourite, a surprisingly good antenna not only for Europe but for DX as well. And silent, compared to my verticals, which in a city environment get very noisy, particularly in the summer months.

So, in summing my experience up: verticals are ok, provided you have good ground where you live, mount them high and (preferably) use radials. Good radials take a lot of space! And verticals are expensive and sometimes noisy.

Both the 135 ft ladder line fed flat top and the horizontal loop (called "Loop the Skywire" in the ARRL Handbook/ Antenna Book) are excellent multiband antennas, also for DX, inexpensive, although you need to make a (smaller) investment in a tuner.

I have no experience of the G5RV but from what I hear and read,a flattop with ladder line normally performs better.

Good luck!

73ï¿½s / Per / SM0WRA

"Simon Pearson" <simon@technetics.co.uk> skrev i meddelandet
news:ZYHq8.10272$51.371726@wards...
> Hi,
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> I'm 16, and have been licensed for just over a year now. I currently have
> G5RV, and am quite disappointed with it.
>
> My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really
cut
> the cake when it comes to contesting!
>
> So, I'm now looking at vertical antennas. I was wondering how well they
> perform, both on TX and RX, but am looking for a vertical with the
> following:
>
> - No traps
> - No need for long (or any) counterpoises/radials
>
> I have come across the GAP TITAN DX, but if anyone knows a good performing
> vertical antenna, would they please let me know?
>
> Many thanks.
>
> 73...
> Simon, M0CLW
>
>

605. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 14:59:37 UTC
From: g3cwi@tesco.net
Message-ID: <b8480e86.0204050659.3c15d65e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4490
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Simon Pearson" <simon@technetics.co.uk> wrote in message
news:<ZYHq8.10272$51.371726@wards>...
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> G5RV, and am quite disappointed with it.
>
> My main interest within the hobby is contesting - my G5RV doesn't really cut
> the cake when it comes to contesting!

Well Simon, it would depend on which contests you are interested in.
If you are interested in the 80m contests run by the RSGB which rely
on local contacts, a vertical would always be a poor choice. In any
case, there is no such thing as a free lunch and all ground-mounted
verticals need radials to work effectively (contrary to what others
have claimed here). You might consider replacing your G5RV with a
doublet, this will tend to outperform the G5RV.

To do better in contests with a simple antenna system, I would suggest
that you need to concentrate on just one band. Basically, you are most
unlikely to do very well in any contest with such a simple antenna
system unless the other contestants are using similar systems. That
should not stop you having lots of fun however and you can certainly
improve your operating skills.

For more advice on contesting, I would suggest that you join the UK
contest reflector at QTH.Net.

73

Richard
G3CWI
Try Summits onthe Air at http://www.sota.org.uk

606. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 15:19:14 UTC
From: Stahr <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <Sfjr8.19066$ml2.1448075@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4491
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Mark:

I'm glad you took the time to read the article. After I read it, I emailed Mike Banz with some questions since I am an investment consultant and by no means an antenna engineer. He makes no "bones" about the compromise. In fact, below is a large portion of the text of his return email.

"I believe that the Titan is a reasonable compromise for a multiband vertical antenna where NO ground radials are possible, and no-tune performance on multiple bands is required. From my tests you have observed that it's performance on 20 meters is equal to that of a monobander. On 15 and 40 meters it is slightly compromised. On 10 meters it is poor, and on 80 meters useless.

If you want to work 10 meters, you would want to supplement the Titan with a small home brew monobander. However, putting myself in your shoes, i.e. if I wanted to work 10, 15, and 20 meters, but nothing higher, I would probably erect three simple free standing monobanders with elevated counterpoises. These would out perform ANY commercial antenna, and could probably be constructed for under $75 total. The biggest issue might be that they would be much less visible than the Titan. I had my Titan next to monobanders for 40, 15, and 10 meters, and it stuck out like a sore thumb, whereas the simple monobanders are so thin as to be practically invisible."

Before I left the hobby back in the '80s I had a small beam, then after moving here with CC&Rs, I had to use what I could by "hiding" dipoles that didn't work, and finally by taking a chance with a ground mounted 4-BTV. After returning to the hobby years later, and living in the same location, I knew that only a vertical with no radials was possible. That was a bunch of money, so after all the research I could find, I spent it on the GAP. I found no other reasonably thought out work about any other vertical antenna, and the consensus of the news groups was to move to where I could have an antenna farm. I was willing to do so, but nobody wanted to pitch in and help me afford the move.

For all the compromises, at least I am on the bands again, and can ragchew when I want, and in six months of working, have worked 182 countries on five bands with 100 watts. I guess the key here is that even with CC&Rs, very small space, and all the compromises, I am back on the air, and again enjoying the hobby.

Thanks again for the comments.
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Best 73 de:
Dennis Stahr - W6NYC

http://www.qsl.net/w6nyc/
Take out "the trash" when return emailing

"Mark Keith" <nm5k@wt.net> wrote in message
news:25eb70d7.0204042329.521c4c75@posting.google.com...

> "Stahr" <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net> wrote in message
news:<il9r8.17757$ml2.1363024@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>...
> > Check out this great, actual comparison by Mr. Banz. Helped me decide that
> > with no space for height and no radials, the GAP Titan DX was the way to go.
> > I still love it.
> >
> > http://www.qsl.net/aa3rl/titandtl.html
>
> There are lots of holes in that test though. For one thing, many of
> the "reference" antennas are kind of on the strange side. Lets start
> with the 40 meter test which means the most of the bands involved. He
> uses a 3/8 wave whip elevated at 5 ft off the ground, with two 20 ft
> radials. Now, being these radials are not resonant, and they are
> elevated, they are next to useless as far as cutting ground losses. So
> he's comparing a homemade fairly lame antenna against a storebought
> fairly lame antenna. Now, I'm missing his result table for 40m, but he
> states a -7.6 db decrease in average reports against the 3/8 wave
> antenna. Now being the 3/8 wave at 5 ft with two fairly useless 20 ft
> radials is not a barnburner by any means, it's kind of disturbing that
> the gap LOST by 7.6 db. Also I have to wonder how he measured the
> differences in DB. Step attenuator?, S meter? , etc. He doesn't say. I
> have to presume an attenuator being he can specify the loss in DB. So
> anyway, for the poor person running the GAP, he would need about 600w
> of power amp to equal the ERP of the person running the fairly lame
> 3/8 wave. From what I can tell, the only band that the GAP didn't get
> beat up on was 20m. And it was a tie. All the rest of the bands it
> seems to have lost. Against low insufficiently radialed 3/8 wave
> verticals. Now, I have no problem with anyone using a GAP if thats
> what they want to use, but I'm curious to why you decided this antenna
> was for you, when it got beat up on like a lost step child in this
> "great actual comparison"? Inquiring minds wanna know... -11 db on
> 10m??? -7.8 on 15m, etc, etc ??? Good grief...I think they used the
> wrong name. They forgot and left the "C" off the front end...I noticed
> he didn't include 80m. Does the titan have 80m? Thats the band where
> the testing will mean the most. I guess the thought of posting the
> -?????? numbers for 80m was too scary to deal with...
> Oh well, another day, another two dollars thirty two cents. MK
>

607. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 17:28:25 UTC
From: Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <65mrau0nfqrp6ftnon1jionb331at28hee@4ax.com>
Source record: 4492
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

On 4 Apr 2002 19:43:26 -0800, nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote:

>Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:<2u3pauccmiuqp5ffgc1pr66hdtbt59319s@4ax.com>...
>> On 4 Apr 2002 03:59:09 -0800, nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote:
>>
>> > I'm not a great fan of the GAP
>> >designs. They use intentional resistance to get a better match.
>>
>> Hi Mark,
>>
>> Having assembled and used a Gap, I must've missed that resistor.
>> Where does it go?
>>
>> 73's
>> Richard Clark, KB7QHC
>
>it was my understanding it was composed of a lot of thin coax wound
>into the lower section of the antenna.
>But I may be wrong on that. But it's still an inferior antenna no
>matter how they made it. It's been carefully compared to other brands
>of verticals and lost out. Assuming each type had the same number of
>radials under them, which I'm sure they did, if the GAP loses against
>other same size verticals, it must have some excess loss somewhere.
>I've never heard of one doing that well on 80m. The butternut did
>quite a bit better. I'm pretty sure it was W8JI who did this
>comparison. I think others have too. There may be something in deja
>google...A friend of mine had one and it was near useless mounted in a
>manner that they suggest. Someone gave it to him free for that reason.
>The first owner couldn't get decent results out of it either.I think
>the friend of mine ended up pawning it off on someone else...:/
>Myself, I'm not crazy about any of the multiband verticals compared to
>a full size monoband vertical. The butternut HF2V is pretty good for
>80/40, but I made my own version for peanuts compared to what they
>charge. MK

Hi Mark,

Well, for one, the difference between the oft repeated claim that Gap
>use intentional resistance to get a better match
and the equally, repeatedly expressed
>composed of a lot of thin coax
do not amount to the same thing.

For two, I have (as would many) far more coax going to the antenna than is found within it (which is not "thin" in any sense and not coax either, but then there is the eye of the beholder and such). I can imagine some may want to argue how lossy coax may be, but even at VHF less than 10 feet makes for a poor example and a poorer argument, and VHF is not even in the mix.

For three, you do justifiably point out that if compared to a simpler antenna that outperforms it, that this constitutes loss. Not Ohmic, unless some better data is provided in the place of repeated assertions that are untested. There is a far simpler explanation, a larger radiator, in relation to wavelength, tends to develop lobes of radiation that serve no useful purpose. Hence the complaint observed in another sidethread of poor 10M performance (which does not occur with my Gap).

For four, I have the Gap Eagle. It is not generally discussed here as most interested parties are trying to get onto 80M. I will allow that the low bands of any Gap design are inadequate to the task, but they still offer a match as promised AND if we were to strip away all the gee-gaws and match the traditional way, it would still be a poor performer on those same bands. Hence, if one is limited in choices, then the availability of a more suitable match is a boon (not something that worries me however).

For five, I have followed the modest requirement of elevating the Gap as specified. There is no issue of radials, aside from those elements serving their purpose to some degree and I have compared to many stock designs to find that sometimes they are better and sometimes the Gap is better. At times the only explanation I would offer would be the angle of launch or arrival - this is entirely speculative, but supported by ad-hoc observations and using propagation modelers to distinguish the operational differences.

For six. It has withstood some good windstorms unguyed. It always plays (if better on some bands than others). I have never had to service it, but I have inspected it on occasion and found nothing out of place (except for one cracked bead at the choke, wind damage of the cable slapping against the tube - as this was at the inspection level, a simple tape job resolved that easily).

Would I buy another? I didn't buy the first one, it was a gift of my buddy when he moved up to a tower and Log Periodic. However, to answer the question honestly; no, I wouldn't buy one. A simple pole driven through a tuner does the job too (better/poorer/indifferently).

73's
Richard Clark, KB7QHC

608. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 18:26:09 UTC
From: Simon Pearson <simon@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3CADEC41.5080909@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk>
Source record: 4493
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

> I think KB7QHC is right - you are unlikely to be much happier with a
> vertical than you are with the G5RV. (and I'm sure the G5RV was much less
> expensive!)
>
> One antenna I've had surprisingly good luck with is a Windom. It's a
> dipole, but off-center fed. 26.8m on one side, 13.4m on the other. Use a
> 4:1 balun, either at the feedpoint or connected to the feedpoint through
> some length of 300-ohm flat TV antenna feedline. I'm told (but haven't
> tried) that you can halve those dimensions if necessary - losing 80 meters
> but not affecting the other bands.
>

Excellent stuff, thanks. Interestingly, several people have pointed out
that a doublet may work as well.

I think I'll have a go at making one - thanks for the info. By the way,
your callsign looks very familiar - perhaps we've worked in a contest
already!

Thanks for your response (and thanks to everyone else, keep 'em coming!)

73...

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- Simon Pearson, M0CLW
- Remove 'REMOVE' from my email address to reply.

609. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 18:31:08 UTC
From: Simon Pearson <simon@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3CADED6C.1090003@REMOVEtechnetics.co.uk>
Source record: 4494
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Richard wrote:

>
> Well Simon, it would depend on which contests you are interested in.
>

Richard, I'm mainly interested in the large(r) contests - mainly CQWW and CQ WPX. I like these ones because they either have a 'rookie' category or a 'single element' category or similar!

From the replies I've been receiving, I've learned that verticals tend to work reasonably well on the lower bands, for DX contacts (although they're less reliable than a dipole for making inter-continental contacts).

I think I may have a go at making a doublet or perhaps even an inverted V, as long as I can get permission from parents. :)

Luckily, my dad is a ham (although now inactive, mainly because I've pinched most of his equipment!) - he's licenced as G4CVS, so I think getting permission shouldn't be too tricky.

By the way, the garden is about 40 - 45ft in length, so it's not too bad. But on the other hands, it's quite short too :)

73, thanks for the nice replies folks.

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- Simon Pearson, M0CLW
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610. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 19:49:07 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204051149.7faf140a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4495
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Stahr" <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net> wrote in message news:<Sfjr8.19066
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> ragchew when I want, and in six months of working, have worked 182
> countries on five bands with 100 watts. I guess the key here is that
> even with CC&Rs, very small space, and all the compromises, I am back on
> the air, and again enjoying the hobby.

Thats the bottom line. If you are making qso's, it's better than
nothing.
Again, I have no problem with anyone using one of these. I guess my
gripe is their theory of no radial operation, etc. They shoot
themselves in their own feet by stating that over and over again. If
everyone ran radials with the gaps, they would probably have less
complaints. I guess my main point is, if you are "really" serious
about a high performance vertical, there are better routes to go.
Mostly homebrew. Of course, most high performance vertical systems
don't do multi-band very well. The butternuts are "probably" about the
best as far as a multiband antenna, but they make no bones about
radials being required for good operation. MK

611. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 20:44:00 UTC
From: millersg@dmapub.dma.org
Message-ID: <a8l2ageed1@dmapub.dma.org>
Source record: 4498
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Stahr <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net> wrote:

<snip>

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>about the compromise. In fact, below is a large portion of the text of
>his return email.
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>observed that it's performance on 20 meters is equal to that of a
>monobander. On 15 and 40 meters it is slightly compromised. On 10
>meters it is poor, and on 80 meters useless.

<snip>

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>moving here with CC&Rs, I had to use what I could by "hiding" dipoles
>that didn't work, and finally by taking a chance with a ground mounted
>4-BTV. After returning to the hobby years later, and living in the same
>location, I knew that only a vertical with no radials was possible.

Time for a sanity check. Simon's original post was asking for better
contest antennas not hiding antennas or dealing with CC&R's. The GAP
antennas are a lousy choice - contesters joke about them.

Simon, there have been many opinions on this subject but not many from
serious contesters who continually strive to improve their stations/signal.
Here are a few ideas and resources for improving your contest antennas.

First, take the time to study what other contesters use for antennas. They
have spent a lot of time and effort making their stations as competitive as
possible. There is a World HF Contest Station Database that lists station
descriptions at:

http://www.pvrc.org/WCSD/WCSDsearch.htm

several other big contest and DX stations are featured at:

www.qsl.net/dj7ik/bigguns.htm

Some of these stations have HUGE amounts of antenna hardware as well as
a carefully selected location for best HF performance. I'm not trying to
discourage you, but it is important to understand that contesting with a
G5RV or vertical will get frustrating when competing against stations with
stacked Yagis on tall towers running full power. On the bright side, most

top ranking contest operators started off with small stations and simple antennas when they were younger. They made the most out of their smaller setups by learning and practicing good operating skills, learning about propagation, etc. This hard-earned experience really pays off later when joining multi-op teams or when they can afford their own house/station (with much bigger antennas).

If you look through the station descriptions, you will notice verticals (and related antennas) are preferred on 160m, somewhat on 80m and somewhat less on 40m. Antennas for 20m, 15m and 10m, are dominated by horizontal types (mostly Yagis) at least 1/2 wavelength high with 1 wavelength generally being better.

As someone has previously suggested, check out:

http://www.cebik.com/radio.html

W4RNL's site contains a great amount of information on several types of antennas you might consider.

Simple wire dipoles and loops are fair performers but contesters prefer antennas with more gain (Yagis, quads, phased arrays, etc.). Higher gain antennas are usually considered much more costly, but you can build gain antennas at reasonable cost using wire, rope and a few trees or other supports (hopefully aimed in a prefered direction). Other options might include two element Yagis or Moxon rectangles for the 10m or 15m band - they are relatively small and can be homebrewed at relatively small expense.

Try talking to other contesters and DXers in your area. They might know of an old tribander not being used (or a bigger station to operate). When I was 17, a local offered a 3 element tribander at a low price which was quickly placed on a 6 meter high pole and rotated using rope tied to one end of the boom. It really boosted the contest scores!

Here are some of the antennas I would be investigating in your situation - I would try to erect multiple antennas even if they are simple dipoles:

160m: inverted-L
80m: inverted-L (DX) inverted-vee/dipole (local)
40m: wire vertical/inverted-L (DX) inverted-vee/dipole (local)
20m: tribander (used), wire Yagi or dipole
15m: tribander (used) or homebrew 2 element Yagi/Moxon rectangle
10m: tribander (used) or homebrew 2 element Yagi/Moxon rectangle

The MFJ-1792 or Butternut HF-2V are decent 40/80m verticals if you intend to buy. The verticals will require several ground radials for best performance (unless you can elevate the bases a good amount).

Also, for lots of contest information look at http://www.contesting.com

There is information about several mailing lists at this site. I'd suggest the cq-contest, TowerTalk, WWYC (more info below), and 3830 lists for contest and antenna related discussions. There are many

contesters on these mailing lists that would be willing to offer their advice. You can look through the archives at http://lists.contesting.com/ or search the list archives from main page at http://www.contesting.com

Finally, I recommend checking into the World Wide Young Contesters (WWYC) if you haven't already. Their web site is http://wwyc.webbg.com (I get an error running Netscape, but it is OK using IE).

Good luck & 73,

Steve

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Steve Miller N8SM millersg@dma.org http://www.dma.org/~millersg

612. Re: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 20:44:28 UTC
From: RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk>
Message-ID: <88uraug88prjs81v0vssnkst721dfcm0ak@4ax.com>
Source record: 4496
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Reg Edwards wrote:

>RVMJ wrote
>> Reticulum wrote:
>> >It's my understanding that the number of radials is
>> >also dependent on the height of the verttical above ground.
>> >That is, the feedpoint.
>>
>> That just isn't so. The more radials the better.
>==============================
>Dear RVMJ,
>
>Wrong ! When a 1/4-wave vertical is 1/2-wave or more above ground there is
>nothing to be gained by having more than a single 1/4-wave radial. I know
>it's difficult for a non-mathematician to take in, but you can't have
>anything more than 100% efficient.

The antenna you seem to be describing appears to be a dipole with an
included angle of ~90 degrees, which isn't the sane animal as a
vertical monopole working against ground or its equivalent.

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from
RVMJ
Remove Safety-&-Arming before e-mailing

613. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 20:44:30 UTC
From: RVMJ <RVMJ@Safety-&-Arming.Clara.co.uk>
Message-ID: <41vraugrfmtsprbajs1pgsjm5g8gdngjd4@4ax.com>
Source record: 4497
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Malcolm wrote:

<big snip of interesting posting about antennas>

>Thanks for the opportunity for the debate.....

Thanks also for an interesting discussion - it seems that the more one finds out about antennas, the more one realises how much more there is to know!

But you have to start somewhere, and I hope that the original poster, and any other newcomers, have been given some pointers to a fascinating subject, and also some pointers to antenna basics that might spare considerable dissatisfaction with an expensive commercial antenna.

I like your idea of plotting the positions of objects that could affect the radiation pattern on a great-circle map. For a horizontal antenna the same could be done bearing in mind the predicted major lobes, minor lobes, and (perhaps more importantly) where the nulls could be expected - and then trying to confirm this with actual (targetted) contacts.

Your contest advice, is, I suspect, hard-earned and a highly relevant!

> - but why the secrecy?

......but what secrecy?

>Malcolm G4CXT

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from
RVMJ
Remove Safety-&-Arming before e-mailing

614. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 21:16:33 UTC
From: Stahr <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <Ruor8.19871$ml2.1492416@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4499
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Steve Miller" <millersg@dmapub.dma.org> wrote in message
> Time for a sanity check. Simon's original post was asking for better
> contest antennas not hiding antennas or dealing with CC&R's. The GAP
> antennas are a lousy choice - contesters joke about them.

It's good that you finally showed up to "save the day"... This tread could
have gotten off the subject, and certainly no other threads do....

If you were interested in answering his question instead of looking for
someone to bitch at, you could have answered earlier or even answered him
directly.

Just in case you don't know how to do that, you would first highlight his
original message, then select, "reply to sender". But since you wanted to
be sure that we could see all your knowledge, you were right to select
"reply to group".

If you paid attention you would have noticed that he did ask for comments
about the GAP.

Dennis Stahr - W6NYC

http://www.qsl.net/w6nyc/
Take out "the trash" when return emailing

"Steve Miller" <millersg@dmapub.dma.org> wrote in message
news:a8l2ageed1@dmapub.dma.org...
> Stahr <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net> wrote:
>

615. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 21:27:23 UTC
From: andy <music@soon.com>
Message-ID: <a8l4u0$3kh$1@news8.svr.pol.co.uk>
Source record: 4300
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Stahr" <w6nycthetrash@earthlink.net> wrote in message
news:Ruor8.19871$ml2.1492416@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net...
> "Steve Miller" <millersg@dmapub.dma.org> wrote in message

> > Time for a sanity check. Simon's original post was asking for better
> > contest antennas not hiding antennas or dealing with CC&R's. The GAP
> > antennas are a lousy choice - contesters joke about them.
>
> It's good that you finally showed up to "save the day"... This tread could
> have gotten off the subject, and certainly no other threads do....

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> someone to bitch at, you could have answered earlier or even answered him
> directly.

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> original message, then select, "reply to sender".

And while we're on the subject of finding someone to bitch at...

616. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 21:58:10 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204051358.19955f68@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4301
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Richard Clark <kb7qhc@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:<65mrau0nfqrp6ftnon1jionb331at28hee@4ax.com>...
>
>
> Hi Mark,
>
> Well, for one, the difference between the oft repeated claim that Gap
> >use intentional resistance to get a better match
> and the equally, repeatedly expressed
> >composed of a lot of thin coax
> do not amount to the same thing.
>
> For two, I have (as would many) far more coax going to the antenna
> than is found within it (which is not "thin" in any sense and not coax
> either, but then there is the eye of the beholder and such). I can
> imagine some may want to argue how lossy coax may be, but even at VHF
> less than 10 feet makes for a poor example and a poorer argument, and
> VHF is not even in the mix.

I've never stripped one apart. I could see the thin coax having a good
bit of loss on the higher bands, but you would think it wouldn't
amount to much on 80/40 meters. I wonder how long this "supposed" coax
section is? And how thin?
>
> For three, you do justifiably point out that if compared to a simpler
> antenna that outperforms it, that this constitutes loss. Not Ohmic,
> unless some better data is provided in the place of repeated
> assertions that are untested. There is a far simpler explanation, a
> larger radiator, in relation to wavelength, tends to develop lobes of
> radiation that serve no useful purpose. Hence the complaint observed
> in another sidethread of poor 10M performance (which does not occur
> with my Gap).

Sure, even the butternut has this problem to a degree on 10m. "3/4
wave". But they did design them to use only a 1/4 section on 15m to
get around this problem a bit. But my comparions apply mainly to the
low bands. 80/40, etc.
To my way of thinking, if two antennas are appx the same height in WL
for a certain band, and both have equal radial screens under them, and
one loses out in a comparion test, how can the loss be anything other
than ohmic? Both antennas are short for the low frequencies.
>
>
At times the only explanation I would offer would be the

> angle of launch or arrival - this is entirely speculative, but
> supported by ad-hoc observations and using propagation modelers to
> distinguish the operational differences.

I could see that happening if the antennas were slightly different
heights, but again on the low bands, I would think the launch angles
would be about the same.
>
> For six. It has withstood some good windstorms unguyed. It always
> plays (if better on some bands than others). I have never had to
> service it, but I have inspected it on occasion and found nothing out
> of place (except for one cracked bead at the choke, wind damage of the
> cable slapping against the tube - as this was at the inspection level,
> a simple tape job resolved that easily).

Well, I guess thats good. But I can say the same thing about all the
antennas I make also. I used a homebrew self supporting 32 ft
vertical. I made it thin and flexible. There were times with strong
winds that the radiator was blowing sideways, but it always propped
back up straight when the storm blew through.
I still have the antenna, but haven't use it in a while. I took it
down because I was paranoid of lightning hits to a 68 ft tall vertical
lightning rod.. That was during a summer of daily lightning storms.
>
A simple pole
> driven through a tuner does the job too (better/poorer/indifferently).

Agreed. But I think using full size mono band verticals the best route
for anyone that wants to get serious about a vertical. For 40-10 use
for someone that can't use radials at all, there is no doubt in my
mind a R-7 or similar antenna elevated about 10-20 feet will smoke
anything else out there with no radials unless it's a full 1/4 wave
over real good ground. I've seen it happen over and over. I've also
used them at field days quite a few times. They are actually pretty
decent antennas and don't have near the TOA problems on the high bands
that a multibander acting as a 3/4 will. When I was running the full
size GP on 40m, another guy here in town used an R-7 at about that
height."15-20 ft" He did quite well for what he had to VK land. He
was a tad down from the full size antenna, but not a whole lot. He
outdid some of the stateside guys running lower dipoles, etc. I do
have to say we were both running a KW...But then again, we were both
loud in the desired target of VK land. Gotta do what you have to
do...I was usually over S9 in VK land with a KW. Didn't want them to
have to strain their ears..:/ On the higher bands, I almost always use
full size 1/2 waves or 5/8's GP's if I use a vertical at all. My 40gp
doubled as a 5/8 on 17m. Depends on the band...I prefer a high dipole
on 20m, but I prefer a good 5/8 GP on 10m. Better local coverage. MK

617. CW Contest Simulators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 23:20:58 UTC
From: Ku3o <gperk@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <ujqr8.98687$K52.15174379@typhoon.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4302
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Anyone have recommendations for CW contest
simulators... I want to improve my CW
proficiency, and not have to wait for a contest
weekend to do it...

Hopefully they exist and are not too expensive...

Thanks,
George - Ku3o

618. Re: CW Contest Simulators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-05 23:53:17 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3CAE38F4.3769B30A@amsat.org>
Source record: 4303
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Try CW PROFIENCY PROGRAMS FOR CONTESTERS AND DXERS such as:
PED 5.19 by JE3MAS
G4ZFE Pile Up! Program
RUFZ
and some others

All at URL:
http://ac6v.com/dxsoft.htm
--
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!

AC6V Mega Ham Index at http://ac6v.com
AC6V Book For DXers at http://ac6v.com/DXSAMPLE.htm
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> proficiency, and not have to wait for a contest
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> George - Ku3o

619. Backcountry Hiking and 6m HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-06 01:44:01 UTC
From: snakyjake1@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <2fac8683.0204051744.3972356a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4304

I'm new to ham radio and picking out a radio for backcountry hiking in the Washington Cascade Mountain Range. This means trees and valleys and mountain peeks for the terrain.

I'm looking at the HT radios which use the 6m band, and wondering how they perform via simplex and repeater usage. Or is 6m pretty much worthless? Or is 2m good enough?

...Please reply to newsgroup...

Thanks,

Jake

620. Re: CW Contest Simulators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-06 02:58:43 UTC
From: Dave <dave#@#wilburn.hrcoxmail.com>
Message-ID: <Dvtr8.10901$GG1.452371@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4305
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

http://www.aa9pw.com

The Morse testing can be done at different speeds.

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>

621. Packet Radio: Is it still viable?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-06 03:04:05 UTC
From: jpiper@postmaster.co.uk
Message-ID: <97fe8e92.0204051904.732887b5@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4306

I am thinking of getting into Packet Radio but I would like an opinion first before getting everything set up.

About 10 years ago, I heard that many amatures on VHF and UHF used packet for digital communications. This was before the internet really caught on so packet was the digital medium for amatures to communicate. Now with everyone wired up on the internet, I am wondering if people still use Packet at all? I know some RACES groups still use it becuase it can go great distances if enough people are on the "network" but what about everyone else?

I am curious about this type of communication because its unique. At the same time, I don't want to spend money on equipment if there is no one out there using this (I am almost have everything except a TNC and an antenna).

What do you guys think? Is there a lot of amatures using this? Is there some good web sites that have lots of info on this?

Thanks!

KC8QOY/ James

622. Digital Voice Forum at Dayton 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-06 12:50:02 UTC
From: dsmith@doug-smith.net
Message-ID: <28486003.0204060450.3f259313@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4307

News Release
From the desk of Doug Smith, KF6DX; Chair, ARRL Digital Voice Working Group
March 31, 2002

For immediate release:

The ARRL Digital Voice Working Group (DVWG) is pleased to announce a Digital Voice Forum, to be held at the Dayton Hamvention, Dayton, Ohio, 10:15 AM to noon on Sunday, May 19, 2002, in Room 1 following the ARRL Forum. Come hear discussions and live audio demonstrations of the hottest new mode in Amateur Radio: digital voice. The forum includes presentations from world-renowned authorities on digital-audio hardware, software and other technical details. Applications from rag-chewing to emergency communications to digital audio broadcasting will be covered.

Members of the DVWG and some distinguished guests will speak on various topics to get you up to speed on this exciting technology. Moderator Doug Smith, KF6DX, will provide some background information about digital voice and what it can do for you. He also has some comments on evaluating voice quality and on performance goals of actual systems. Coming from the UK, digital voice pioneers Charles Brain, G4GUO, and Andy Talbot, G4JNT, will discuss their previous work in this field, along with their ongoing efforts to produce even more-robust, high-speed systems. Gary Barbour, AC4DL, details his work on high-speed, software-based modems, such as are required for digital voice. His work may also result in advancement of regular, high-speed data transmission over Amateur Radio.

Special guest Harold Reasoner, K5SXK, relates his experience with digital voice in Amateur Radio and public-service communications. Through his relationship with the Motorola Amateur Radio Club (MARC), Harold has gained a lot of practical experience with APCO25-compatible radios. APCO25 is a national standard for digital voice systems. Public servants take note.

From France, Thales (formerly Thomson/CSF) graciously sends special guest Cï¿½dric Demeure to talk about digital audio, ham radio and broadcasting. Cï¿½dric is involved with Thales' entry into the digital audio-broadcasting arena. He is also part of a DVWG plan to conduct transatlantic tests of digital voice over Amateur Radio. His presentation should appeal to hams and short-wave listeners alike.

You are cordially invited to attend. Your questions are welcome after the presentations. Don't miss this opportunity to get the latest

about digital voice from the experts! For more information, visit www.hamvention.org or send e-mail to kf6dx@arrl.org.

623. Re: Packet Radio: Is it still viable?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-06 14:42:28 UTC
From: Dave <dave#@#wilburn.hrcoxmail.com>
Message-ID: <oPDr8.12301$GG1.555484@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4308

I am fairly new to the hobby buy I have been involved in packet. In my area here, eastern Virginia, packet is quite active with a good network of nodes and worm holes. That being said, the majority of folks that I know use packet to monitor DX clusters. But many of the folks that have full time internet access use telnet access to the many online clusters instead. Beyond that you can send the equivolent of email all over the world with it from BBSs once you have a bit of understanding of the system. At its high point, packet was supposedly used for many point to point contacts. That does not seem to be the case in my limited experience.

What I find facinating is the marriage of HF ports, satallites, and worm holes into the network. I can sit here with my little HT set on low power, and jump to nodes and into a worm hole. The worm hole is an internet connection that pops out some where else like europe. I can then start jumping around over there. All this on one watt, it just amazes me.

What you can do is look on local club pages or band plans and see what frequencies are used for packet and monitor them. Packet has a very distictive sound, to me it sounds a lot like a modem syncing up. Monitor for activity or just ask at the club.

In RACES, we use packet to transver written information in a timely manner. Transmitting 400 names and addresses representing the folks at a shelter would be difficult on radio even using traffic handling technics. With packet, type it in and it is gone.

The only other thing I might offer is to look at getting into the VHF side of packet first. This is realtivily inexspensive. You can find 1200 baud VHF TNCs that are brand new from $120 - $190. There is also sound card packet if you are technically inclined to get it to work to try it out. It does not require a TNC. I picked up a AEA PK232 off of eBay for $100. It supposedly does many things that I never used. It never did work right and is now headed for the scrap heap. I could have gotten a brand new VHF only Kantronics for $190 and been miles ahead. But live and learn.

This has just about tapped out my information supply for this morning so good luck. As always your mileage may vary and as well as the setup in your country. 73

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> there some good web sites that have lots of info on this?
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>
> KC8QOY/ James

624. QRP FS: 38 Specials/ 30 mtr transceivers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-07 00:14:53 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020406191453.14057.00001868@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 4309

FS: A pair of 38 Specials. I have one complete in a case with the 5 watt mod for 30 meters . This one needs a repair- should be an easy fix and I suspect 1 cheap IC needs replacing. The 2nd one (also 30 mtrs) is new -built nice on the board. Needs to be mounted in a case plus your jacks and pots. I have the manual too.First $55.00 takes both. Thanks and 73s Lew KlNDV

625. Re: CW Contest Simulators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-07 15:28:28 UTC
From: GSBARC <info@gsbarc.org>
Message-ID: <wAZr8.198804$u77.40704619@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4310
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

George

For CT.. goto:
http://www.k1ea.com/simulator/index.htm

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> George - Ku3o
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626. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-07 18:56:40 UTC
From: dss117@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020407145640.22515.00002716@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 4311

Ok, my $.02 for what it is worth. I just got into the hobby in January and wanted an antenna that would get me on as many bands as possible. I also needed one that would be reasonably sized so the house didn't look like an antenna farm (to keep the Mrs. happy). I am trying a Gap Titan and have been reasonably happy. In all fairness, I have nothing to compair it with. I have found that the great majority of the time, if I can hear them I can work them. I do have to take my time when working a pileup, but I have only had a few that I couln't get and I probably could have had them if I had the time. It may not be a perfect antenna and I probably won't be using it forever, but for now it fills my need and is worth looking at depending on your situation.
Doug KC9AYS

627. ARNewsline 1286 - April 5 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-08 02:18:32 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020407221832.00564.00003796@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 4312

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1286 - April 5 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1286 with a release date of Friday, April 5th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Australian radio regulators say no to I-LINK and the NCVEC says its time to revamp Element 2. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1286 coming your way right now.

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INTERNATIONAL: I-LINK NOT LEGAL IN AUSTRALIA

One of the very popular internet based linking protocols appears to be illegal to use in Australia. This as the Australian Communications Authority issues a finding against I-Link. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the background:

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There are two competing systems being used in ham radio to link repeaters over the Internet. One is called I-LINK and the other is I-R-L-P.

I-R-L-P stands for the Internet Radio Linking Project. It was developed in Canada by Dave Cameron, VE7LTD. It's aim is to link ham radio systems separated by long distance over the Internet without the use of expensive eased lines or satellites. I-R-L-P uses Voice-Over-IP software to link radio sites around the world. But I-R-L-P uses its own custom interface board and software suite running on a Linux platform. And that's why many hams have opted for an alternative called I-LINK.

I-LINK does everything that I-R-L-P does in linking repeaters, but it does not require a computer running Linux or any proprietary hardware interface. The needed software is available to anyone. It runs on a P-C and anyone can have it in their computer. Even non-hams. And that is what seems to be bothering our regulatory body, the A-C-A. It says that the widespread and open availability of I-LINK could make it possible for non hams to get on the air.

Over the past few weeks, much comment has been made regarding the legality or otherwise of I-LINK here in Australia. To clarify the A-C-A position, let me quote in part from a letter by John Martin the Federal Technical Advisory Chairman.

"There should be no issue with I-LINK because the A-C-A has made it clear that it must be impossible for anyone to gain access to an amateur transmitter by any means other than on-air working one of the stations that is connected to the link. The only system which can comply with this is I-R-L-P."

This action by our A-C-A appears to not sitting well with I-LINK proponents in other nations. Some fear the decision here in V-K could bring similar action by other communications regulators in their parts of the world.

VK's National Society, the Wireless Institute of Australia's President Ernest Hocking VK1LK along with WIA/ACA Liaison team member Gilbert Hughes VK1GH met with the ACA Thursday 28 March to discuss the current situation.

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Hocking: “In order to address this situation the ACA have agreed to develop an information paper in conjunction with the WIA ACA liaison team. This paper will aim to make clear the criteria under which Internet linking can take place. The paper will not endorse specific software or systems. Rather it will provide clear guidance on the conditions that need to be met for the operation of such linked systems to remain legal within the the Radio Communications Act.”
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It was agreed that every effort would be made to develop the paperwithin a period of 4 - 6 weeks. WIA President VK1LK has called on the Ham population of VK to "ask for your patience over the next few weeks whilst this document is being developed".

From Q-News Australia, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Articles describing I-LINK recently appeared in both CQ and QST Magazines. No matter. Basically the Australian Communications Authority has said IRLP is O-K but I-Link has to go. At least for now. (Q-News)

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RADIO REGULATIONS: FCC PROPOSES TO STRENGTHEN RULES AGAINST REPETITIVE APPLICATIONS

The FCC has proposed changing its application rules for all wireless radio services--including the Amateur Radio Service--in an effort to expand the scope of its current ban on repetitious applications. Newsline’s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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The ARRL Letter reports that an FCC Notice of Proposed Rule Making released March 20th seeks to modify section 1.937 of its rules. This, to prohibit the filing of all applications that are substantially similar to applications the agency denied or dismissed with prejudice within the previous 12 months.

The term “with prejudice” means a legal issue or court case that is dismissed for good reason and the plaintiff is barred from bringing another action on the same claim. And, if the FCC gets its way, WT Docket No. 02-87 will bring a rules change that might prohibit a handful of applications filed by new and renewing hams where a similar or identical application was denied in the past 12 months.

The FCC cites the pending license request by Herbert L. Schoenbohm, ex-KV4FZ, as an example of a repetitious application. Schoenbohm's amateur license renewal was finally denied in 2000, when the US Supreme Court refused to hear the case. His authority to operate as a radio amateur expired in January 2001.

Then, last April, Schoenbohm applied for a new Amateur Radio license and passed the General exam. The FCC has designated that application for hearing, to determine, in part, if Schoenbohm deserves to be a Commission licensee.

The FCC says that such cases consume significant resources to re-litigate. Especially since they involve identical issues and the same applicants very close in time.

What about routine issues like dismissed vanity applications? The FCC says that they would not be impacted in any way. For vanity license applications, the FCC now allows these applicants to correct the mistakes and file again. The FCC says that it will continue to do so if the proposed rule change is adopted.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW
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Comments on WT Docket No. 02-87, are due 30 days from the publication of the proposed rule in the Federal Register. Reply comments will be due 45 days after publication. (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO TESTING: NEW ELEMENT 2 DRAFT EXAMINATION RELEASED FOR COMMENT

The proposed draft syllabus for the new Element 2 Amateur Radio examination has been released for public comment. As we go to air, Scotty Neustadter, W4WW, who chairs the NCVEC Question Pool Committee says that this draft syllabus will be posted to the ARRL's web page within a few days.

Neustadter adds the period for public comment will close on May 9th. He asks that you send your comments to all the members of the Question Pool Committee of the NCVEC. Their e-mail addresses are:

Scotty Neustadter, Chair w4ww@arrl.net
Bart Jahnke, Member vec@arrl.org
Fred Maia, Member fmaia@texas.net
John Johnston, Member Johnston.John1@worldnet.att.net)
(NCVEC, W4WW)

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From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club Net serving Santa Barbara California.

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HAMVENTION 2002 - THE CHAIRMAN SPEAKS OUT

The Dayton Hamvention is now just a bit more than a month away and its General Chairman, Jim Graver, KB8PSO, is speaking out. Actually he has been talking to RAIN Producer and 2002 Radio Amateur of the Year Hap Holly, KC9RP. One of the things he made public was who will be speaking at the Hamvention's grand awards banquet:

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Graver: "It will be William Cross from the FCC and Paul Reid from FEMA, and they will be talking about emergency communications and preparedness in respect to Amateur Radio."
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Want yo hear more? Well Holly has prepared an extended interviewww with Jim Graver. Part 1 is on line right now at www.rainreport.com. If you don't happen to have internet access, try calling 847-827-7246. (RAIN)

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CONSUMER ALERT: TELEPHONE AREA CODE 809 IS COSTLY

If you get an e-mail, voicemail or page telling you to call a phone number with an 809 area code, beware. The CGC Communicator reports that chances are, it's a scam and your phone bill will be
astronomical. The FCC has already issued a public warning about calling this area code. Its on the web at www.fcc.gov/cib/consumerfacts/809.html (CGC Communicator, FCC)

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COMMUNICATIONS BUSINESS: AOL REPORTEDLY COURTING LINUX

Linux users listen up. Your favorite operating system may finally be getting a shot at becoming a real competitor to Microsoft Windows as rumors surface that AOL Time Warner Inc. is negotiating to buy the Linux distributor Red Hat Inc.

The Washington Post reported in late January that such talks were underway. The deal could bolster AOL Time Warner against rival Microsoft as both companies design strategies for moving their services beyond the personal computer to mobile devices and such nascent services as interactive television. (Publised reports)

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HAMFESTS: ST. JOHN LUTHERAN SCHOOL HAMFEST

Turning to the hamfest scene. The St. John Lutheran School Hamfest and Electronics Show is slated for Saturday, April 13th from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Location is in Garfield Heights Ohio. Garfield Heights is 10 minutes South East of Cleveland with the school at 11333 Granger Road. Admission is only one dollar. For more information please write by e-mail to ln4js@visn.net. (via E-Mail)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KE4IQB NAME WITHDRAWN FOR DEPUTY NASA ADMINISTRATOR

NASA says the White House has withdrawn the nomination of Marine Corps Major General and former astronaut Charles F. Bolden, KE4IQB, to be the space agency's next Deputy Administrator. Bolden is currently Commanding General of the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, based in San Diego. According to the CQ website, the NASA announcement did not say why Bolden's nomination was withdrawn, but suggested that the Defense Department objected to losing him from an active military command during the war on terrorism. There was no immediate word on who would be named to the number two post at NASA instead of Bolden. (CQ)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KB2GSD TO PITCH FOR FREE AIRTIME

Walter Cronkite, KB2GSD, will be the pitch man for a new campaign taking on broadcasters for not offering enough affordable or free airtime to federal candidates. This, even though the airwaves are owned by the American public.

The coalition sponsoring the Cronkite narrative said that its kicking off its grass-roots drive following passage of the landmark campaign finance reform legislation. This legislation spared broadcasters from having to offer deep discounts to federal candidates.

Under current federal law, broadcasters are required to give discounts to political candidates. However the actual rate can vary depending upon the time it is slated to air. (Publisged reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: W6TIA RETIRES FROM KFWB

Richard Rudman, W6TIA, the Chief Engineer of KFWB - AM in Los Angeles California is retiring following a truly illustrious thirty year career at the all-news station. Rudman, who is the National Chair of Congressional Emergency Alert System Advisory Committee is perhaps better known for his roles with the establishment and evolution of the E-A-S nationwide.

During Rudman's tenure heading up the engineering helm of KFWB, the region has been regularly challanged by major brush fires, power failures, earthquakes, riots, and more. Throughout all of this Rudman has kept KFWB on the air. A truly enviable record and one that W6TIA can be proud of.

And less we forget, W6TIA has agreeed to be a part of this years Newsline sponsored Ham Radio Town Meeting at the 2002 Dayton Hamvention. His topic will be the Emergency Alert System and introducing it to Amateur Radio. (CGC Communicator, ARNewsline(tm))

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: SMART FENCES

Smart fences are possible. So say Pennsylvania State College researchers who are using acoustic technology to turn a simple chain-link fence into an intrusion detection system.

To make the system work, a single strand of galvanized steel wire, a system of springs and weights and some inexpensive ground sensors make the fence sensitive to intruders. Among parties interested in the technology are the U.S. military, airports and oil companies. (PSC News Release)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: REPLACEMENT TDRS IN TROUBLE

A NASA communications satellite launched into orbit on March 8th has developed a problem with its onboard supply of propellant. The trouble is delaying the Tracking and Data Relay Satellite-I from reaching its ultimate destination, a circular orbit about 22,300 miles above Earth's equator. The satellite's current egg-shaped orbit is 22,236 miles at its ap[ogee and about 4,970 miles at its perigee. The spacecraft's manufacturer, Boeing Satellite Systems, is hopeful that its engineers will ultimately be able to deliver the satellite into its proper orbit. If it can’t, the satellite could be declared a total loss. (Published news reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - HOLLAND: NEW LATIN AMERICAN RADIO STATIONS CD

Dutch shortwave enthusiast Max van Arnhem has produced an audio Compact Disc featuring 371 wave files of Latin American and Caribbean radio stations. According to Media Network, most are off-air recordings as received in his home in The Netherlands, but there are also some recordings made on one of the five trips he made to Central America and the Caribbean between 1979 and 2001. You can find a review of the CD, and details of how to buy it at www.rnw.nl/realradio/booklist/html/lacd.html. (Media Network)

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In D-X, the Ducie Island DXpedition is being called a major success. The ifirst ever D-Xpedition to the newest DXCC entity came to an end March 26. The VP6DI team was on the air for just over nine days and loged over 39,000 contacts. VP6DI HF QSLs go via VE3HO, and 6-meter QSLs go to JA1BK.

And some good news for DXCC chasers. This as the ARRL announces that it will accept SSB contacts with P-5 slash 4L4FN in the Democratic Peoples Republic of Korea for DXCC credit. The operator of the station is Ed Giorgadze of the Republic of Georgia. He has been active from the capital city of Pyongyang since last November. Valid contacts from the beginning his P-5 operation last fall may be submitted for credit, effective immediately. (ARRL)

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A NEWSLINE FOLLOW-UP: THE POLITICS OF 11 METERS - PART 2: “A NATIONAL RESOURCE CALLED REACT”

Last week we told you that there has only been one truly successful organization with any political ties to 11 meters. In Part 2 of his special report on the not so political side of 11 meter Class D CB, Amateur Radio Newsline’s David Black, KB4KCH, takes a look at REACT.

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A long known name in CB radio is REACT, or Radio Emergency Associated Communications Teams. REACT's mission statement stresses public safety communications, assisting individuals, groups and government agencies.

The stated goal: To save lives, prevent injuries and give assistance wherever and whenever needed. The group promotes establishing a monitoring network of trained volunteer citizen-based communicators and using all means available to deliver their message. REACT, it seems, has succeeded on both counts.

The idea of using CB radio in an organized way for emergency communications was born in a mid-winter Chicago snowstorm. It happened after CB radio was used to summon assistance for a young family with a very sick child whose car was stuck on an expressway. That was in the winter of 1962 when CB was really still in its infancy.

Not long after, the groups founder, Henry B. "Pete" Kreer, convinced the Hallicrafters Company to sponsor the REACT program. The initial requirements for a Team was for three members who agreed to monitor 11 meters several hours a day for emergencies. There were no dues or other requirements except to comply with federal and state regulations.

By 1964, it was determined that there was a need for a National CB Emergency Channel. REACT National Headquarters asked all of its 800 teams to monitor channel 9 as a voluntary emergency channel. The scheme worked so well that in 1967, REACT led a movement to convince the FCC to designate channel 9 as the CB emergency channel. It was a major political success and many CB hobbyists began to look at REACT as a possible voice in Washington. But that was not to be.

In 1969, General Motors Research Labs assumed sponsorship of REACT. Also in 1969, Jerrold Reese -- a name that would become synonymous with the growth of REACT became its Managing Director. Founder Henry Kreer remained on with the title of Executive Director.

It was on April 24, 1973, that REACT and to a lesser degree 11 meter C-B probably got its greatest public exposure. That’s when NBC's Today Show televised an interview with Gerald Reese and Henry Kreer. Their interview dealing with the REACT program was aired on some 220 affiliated stations. It lead to over 500 inquiries.

In 1975, REACT broke from GM and started as an independent organization. Not long after, REACT International received not-for-profit status in the state of Illinois followed by federal tax exempt status.

REACT was on its own and less than a year later, it was represented at the first White House Conference on CB radio. And in the ensuing years it won many awards for promoting highway safety through its radio monitoring efforts.

But nothing last forever and the late 1970's brought declining use of 11 meter Class D CB. As the 80’a approached there were far more CB sets sitting on closet shelves than on the air. The C-B craze was dying and with it fewer people in the REACT program.

By the middle 1980’s REACT the only major organization with any ties at all to 11 meters. REACT had survived the CB shakeout probably because never claimed to be a savior or rallying point for 11 meter hobby operators. It’s self appointed task was assistance to the public. REACT was now national and chapterized and tax exempt. It also had broadened its horizons to include other bands and began using operators from other services including ham radio. C-B was now only a part of the REACT model.

In retrospect, one might say that REACT fought very hard for setting up an emergency communications monitoring system on 11 meters, but it was not a lobbiest for the rights of the 11 meter hobby radio operator. Instead, it always has lived to its mission statement and that’s probablly why it has survived and prospered for the last 40 years.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m David Black, KB4KCH.

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To learn more about REACT International or to find out if there is an active REACT team in your area, please write to REACT International, Inc. 5210 Auth Road, #403, Suitland, Maryland 20746. You can also go to their website at www.reactintl.org.

Meantine, one question remains: Will anyone ever be successful in totally organizing political potential of 11 meter C-B? That part of the story, next week. (ARNewsline(tm))

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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Before we go, a reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year is now open. No significant changes from last year. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Mert Garlick, N6AWE, saying welcome to the year 2002, 73, and we thank you for listening."
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628. FA: PANEL JACKS & HDWE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-08 06:14:50 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cb23556.93105308@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4313

FA: PANEL JACKS & HDWE

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1344033924&r=0&t=0&showTutorial=0&ed=1018767891&indexURL=0&rd=1

629. Re: CW Contest Simulators

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-08 13:07:44 UTC
From: Justin Giles-Clark <justingc@ozemail.com.au>
Message-ID: <3CB1961F.FAECB235@ozemail.com.au>
Source record: 4314
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

George,

Try RUFZ, its free and is found at
http://www.sk3bg.se/contest/rufz.htm.

Ku3o wrote:

> Anyone have recommendations for CW contest
> simulators... I want to improve my CW
> proficiency, and not have to wait for a contest
> weekend to do it...
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> Hopefully they exist and are not too expensive...
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> Thanks,
> George - Ku3o

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73 de VK7TW Justin Giles-Clark

630. Alinco RS-4 VHF Repeater

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-08 20:30:03 UTC
From: "J. A. McCarthy" <ei8ja@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <M5ns8.6244$e5.36720@news.indigo.ie>
Source record: 4315

I'm looking for information with regard to programing one of these repeaters which I recently aquired. I have the programing interface but the software is not completely suitable. I have done some searching on the net and any results I get are Japanese or Russian sites and as I don't speak any of the two they are of little use.
Any help greatly appreciated.

Thanks.

631. RCI 2950 Manual?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-09 00:41:32 UTC
From: Rick Denessen <TimberWolfe21@cox.net>
Message-ID: <0Nqs8.15068$%A.1304278@news1.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4316

I seem to have lost my manual somewhere.

Thanks ahead of time.

Rick
Popsicle@cox.net

632. Alternate radio organizations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-09 02:56:04 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020408225604.11995.00002884@mb-mk.aol.com>
Source record: 4317

I am interested in radio, but the morse code requirement is turning me away from Ham Radio. I want to experiment wtht the technical aspects of radio, not just operate it. I know the morse debate is not a new debate and there are those strongly for it. Lets just say that I am not interested in memorizing the Morse alphabet to get a higher class licence. I know the 5 words per minute requirement is easy, so I may just break down and learn morse code, to get above the Technician class licence. But, I will still resent it. I would much rather have a more challenging test (that requires more than memorizing the question and answers), than put up with learning Morse code (which I never intend to use).

Also, I have found Ham radio organizations to be very boring. If you read the ARRL handbook and QST, you may believe Ham radio is an interesting hobby. However, in practice, these people do not exist at the meetings. I thought perhaps the group I joined was boring, so I tried two other Ham clubs. They were boring also. So, it seems that Ham radio is boring. At one of the meetings, it was mentioned that so many new recruits quit. I am not surprised.

Ham radio people are not very open minded. Also, they are not very willing to share their knowledge. The people act like they are part of some strange cult. Their interests seem to be with Morse code and "contesting". Contesting is essentially a dumb activity that focuses more on endurance than intelligence. Contesters want to contact as many people as possible in a given time period. Boring. Also they pollute the spectrum. Even the most cult like Ham gets annoyed when their communication is interrupted by a contester or some morse code transmission from a fellow Ham. At least foxhunts and mobile operations are interesting. But if you are interested in these activities, you are not a "true" Ham.

Also, Ham radio does not have a good reputation. I mentioned this to some friends and they started to make fun of it. I told them Morse code was required and one person mentioned that that nobody uses that anymore. Then, they compared Hamfests to Star Trek conventions. They asked if Hams do any interesting activities or have many females in the organization. The answer to both questions was no. Hams are not even respected in industry. If I mention Ham radio, it can even be a negative. One manager said he would never hire a Ham radio person. He did not say why. Ham radio is known more as a cult than a technical activity and this could hurt you in industry.

I would like to know if there are any other radio organizations. Do specialy Ham clubs exist that mostly focus on the aspects I find interesting? It seem like the amateur spectrum is owned solely by Ham Radio (with the exception of the CB band). They problem with that is that "Hams" are too restrictive. You have to do it their way or else. Due to the morse code requirement, there is clearly a need for another amateur radio orgnization besides "Ham" radio. Also,

Hams are stuck in their prospective. In order to broaden the horizons of radio, another organization is needed.

633. Re: Alternate radio organizations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-09 03:30:41 UTC
From: Carl <n7kuw@dropthisnospam.attbi.com>
Message-ID: <Bfts8.191670$ZR2.102061@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4318

A few comments in reply to yours, just in case you are serious and not just trolling...

Vshah101 <vshah101@aol.com> wrote in message news:20020408225604.11995.00002884@mb-mk.aol.com...
> I am interested in radio, but the morse code requirement is turning me away
> from Ham Radio. I want to experiment wtht the technical aspects of radio, not
> just operate it.

You can certainly do that with the Technician class license. That opens up all of the VHF and UHF ham spectrum to you. The only thing you do not get is the HF bands (where morse code and contesting exist).

I know the morse debate is not a new debate and there are
> those strongly for it. Lets just say that I am not interested in memorizing the
> Morse alphabet to get a higher class licence. I know the 5 words per minute
> requirement is easy, so I may just break down and learn morse code, to get
> above the Technician class licence. But, I will still resent it. I would much
> rather have a more challenging test (that requires more than memorizing the
> question and answers), than put up with learning Morse code (which I never
> intend to use).

I do not use it either (but I did learn it). However, as noted above, you can get into all of the areas of ham radio you are interested in without learning morse code.

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> Also, I have found Ham radio organizations to be very boring.

Some sure are boring, won't argue that. But there are some good ones also.

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> ARRL handbook and QST, you may believe Ham radio is an interesting hobby.

It is whatever you are willing to make it.

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> code transmission from a fellow Ham. At least foxhunts and mobile
operations
> are interesting. But if you are interested in these activities, you are
not a
> "true" Ham.
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While I personally agree with you regarding contesting, it is a very popular aspect of ham radio, and many hams are involved in it. You need to try to be as open minded regarding other aspects of ham radio as you want other hams to be regarding the areas you are interested in. No one person is going to find interest in every aspect of ham radio - it's just too big, too broad, too diverse.

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mention
> Ham radio, it can even be a negative. One manager said he would never hire
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> Ham radio person. He did not say why. Ham radio is known more as a cult
than a
> technical activity and this could hurt you in industry.

This depends on a lot of things, however ham radio actually resulted in my getting a very good job once. Had it not been for my activities in ham radio, and meeting people I met, that opportunity would never have presented itself to me. I have heard radio "professionals" go both ways on the issue.

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> Ham clubs exist that mostly focus on the aspects I find interesting?

Yep, sure do. Go find one rather than complaining about it.

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> like the amateur spectrum is owned solely by Ham Radio (with the exception
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> the CB band). They problem with that is that "Hams" are too restrictive.
You
> have to do it their way or else. Due to the morse code requirement, there
is
> clearly a need for another amateur radio orgnization besides "Ham" radio.
Also,
> Hams are stuck in their prospective. In order to broaden the horizons of
radio,
> another organization is needed.
>
>
Your entire last paragraph really does not make any sense. Of course the ham spectrum is "owned" solely by ham radio - that is the very definition of why it exists. Our federal government, through the FCC, slices and dices the radio spectrum and hands it out to the highest bidder. Thank goodness ham radio managed to grab a slice before it become lucrative to sell it off. The challenge now is on retaining it, and the fewer hams that exist, and the less use of the ham spectrum, makes it that much more attractive for business to go after it, and that much more difficult to retain it as amateur allocated frequencies. That's why the no-code tech license is good (it has brought growth to the ham population), and that is also why contesting has it's value (it does keep the HF bands active).

However, in response to your question, there are many ways for you to become active in selective areas of radio, either within, or separate from, ham radio. For example, you mention fox hunts and mobile operations as interesting. I'm active in a search and rescue organization that does a lot of radio direction finding (of aircraft and marine emergency beacons), and it has nothing to do with ham radio, but it is fun and interesting. They also do a lot of mobile radio operations, some with ham radio, and some with commercial radio. So it is possible for you to find what you are looking for both within, and separate from, ham radio. Go for it.

Carl.

634. Q: HTX-202 and 13.2v battery pack ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-09 04:30:59 UTC
From: Mark Jeghers <mark@t4pNOSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <68us8.281203$2q2.25924723@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4319
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I've heard that the Radio Shack HTX-202 has a
problem if a battery pack is used with a higher
voltage (e.g. 13.2v). It's said to produce an
error message in that case. Battery packs with
lower voltages are fine.

The external power connector takes 12v or more
just fine. I've also heard a fix (a small cap across
the battery connection) that is SAID to fix this
problem. I've heard no other corroberating info.

Anyone have experience with this? Is there a way
I can safely use a 13.2 battery pack?

Please reply to mark@t4x.com, but change the "x"
to a "p" in the above email (it is altered to stop
spammers). Thanks in advance.

Mark
KF6ONE

635. Re: Q: HTX-202 and 13.2v battery pack ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-09 12:38:32 UTC
From: AB2HR <ab2hr@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <h4o5buge0jncoabv22bht3c3bs1qmj5a4c@4ax.com>
Source record: 4320

On Tue, 09 Apr 2002 04:30:59 GMT, "Mark Jeghers" <mark@t4pNOSPAM.com>
wrote:

>I've heard that the Radio Shack HTX-202 has a
>problem if a battery pack is used with a higher
>voltage (e.g. 13.2v). It's said to produce an
>error message in that case. Battery packs with
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I believe the mod you mention is available on the QRZ web site. To
answer your question, regarding there being a way to safely use a 13.2
volt battery pack.... ISN'T THAT WHAT THE MOD WAS SUPPOSED TO DO???

Raymond Sirois AB2HR
SysOp: The Lost Chord BBS
607-733-5745
telnet://thelostchord.dns2go.com:6000

636. talk on repeaters worldwide

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-09 13:10:30 UTC
From: mitbr <hmm@anywhere.net>
Message-ID: <aLBs8.24713$7F1.7695@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4321

Talk on repeaters worldwide and to other hams via the net free.Download the
small program free from the url below.
http://home1.gte.net/res0plht/conference.htm
Tim
KG4JJS
Please visit my Tampa Bay Radio Page at the url below
http://home1.gte.net/res0plht/Mi01000.htm

637. Re: Q: HTX-202 and 13.2v battery pack ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-10 08:16:49 UTC
From: Mark Jeghers <mark@t4pNOSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <RxSs8.314520$Gf.28303343@bin2.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4322

I said...

> >I've heard that the Radio Shack HTX-202 has a
> >problem if a battery pack is used with a higher
> >voltage (e.g. 13.2v). It's said to produce an
> >error message in that case. Battery packs with
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> >Mark
> >KF6ONE

Then Raymond said...

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> volt battery pack.... ISN'T THAT WHAT THE MOD WAS SUPPOSED TO DO???
>
> Raymond Sirois AB2HR
> SysOp: The Lost Chord BBS
> 607-733-5745

And I answer...

Presumably, yes, that is what the mod is supposed to do.
My desire is to hear some corroberation or confirmation
from other sources that this mod (or some other) is sound
and known to be reliable. I like to just be a little cautious
about things I read on web sites...

638. ARRL courses?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-10 15:58:00 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020410115800.22551.00002599@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 4323

ARRL has begun courses in Antenna Modelling. Other courses seem slow to start. I would like rf training. My interested include practical radio design, troubleshooting, setting up, and using equipment. Anyone interested in getting a course started or even teaching such a course?

639. balun question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-10 19:51:33 UTC
From: Zacharioudakis Lefteris <compusci@cytanet.com.cy>
Message-ID: <3CB497C5.1020200@cytanet.com.cy>
Source record: 4325
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur

i need to construct a 1:1balun for my dipole, i have done the "choke-balun"
but i have some toroidal which i would like to use, any sugestions on how to
wound the toroidal (how many turns, what king of cable etc)

thanks in advance

73's de 5B4AGL

640. Re: Q: HTX-202 and 13.2v battery pack ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-10 20:09:34 UTC
From: lbrty4us@aol.com
Message-ID: <205ef942.0204101209.19b88a2d@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4324
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

While we are at it, may I ask, was there ever a blank slide-on cover made or furnished for when you use the thing without the orgijnal battery pack? Sure like to have one, no mention in RatShack info.

641. WTB Micom-XF equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 01:26:45 UTC
From: Carl Walthall <n3qom@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <oD5t8.271809$q2.32271@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 4326

Hi All

I'm looking for a Manual, Remote Display and the external Ant. Tuner for the Micom-XF. Please send me your reasonable price for this equipment.

Thanks
Carl N3QOM

642. Re: Alternate radio organizations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 03:39:05 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020410233905.11987.00003477@mb-mk.aol.com>
Source record: 4327

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>> another organization is needed.
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>ham spectrum is "owned" solely by ham radio - that is the very definition of
>why it exists. Our federal government, through the FCC, slices and dices
>the radio spectrum and hands it out to the highest bidder. Thank goodness
>ham radio managed to grab a slice before it become lucrative to sell it off.

True, the spectrum is owned by Amateur radio, and I am grateful for that. Otherwise I would not be able to use it. But Ham radio is what it is, not what a person makes it. Ham radio is less technical now and more about operating. Thats just what it is, despite what the ARRL claims it to be..

One alternative would be another "Amateur" organization, besides Ham radio. Both would have to follow the current licencing rules. The only difference would be in the amateur radio activities. Also, a specialty Ham club could fit these requirements it they advertised themself as a specialty club. Such clubs do not exist right now.

643. Re: balun question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 03:48:29 UTC
From: CAM <Cecil.A.Moore@IEEE.org>
Message-ID: <3CB5078D.FBBAA46C@IEEE.org>
Source record: 4328
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur

Zacharioudakis Lefteris wrote:
>
> i need to construct a 1:1balun for my dipole, i have done the "choke-balun"
> but i have some toroidal which i would like to use, any sugestions on how to
> wound the toroidal (how many turns, what king of cable etc)

I use ten turns of RG-400 (teflon) on an FT-240-61 core. Works very well.
I use RG-400 because it is small with a large breakdown voltage.
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cheers, CAM http://www.qsl.net/w5dxp

-----= Posted via Newsfeeds.Com, Uncensored Usenet News =-----
http://www.newsfeeds.com - The #1 Newsgroup Service in the World!
------== Over 80,000 Newsgroups - 16 Different Servers! =-----

644. Tin Can Sailors Net??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 15:41:46 UTC
From: n5kzw@arrl.net
Message-ID: <3cb5ae8a.821956311@news.ev1.net>
Source record: 4329

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I can't find anything on the ARRL web site, but I don't know whether they have an electronic list of nets as they also sell a book of net listings. My 1988 copy of the Net Directory does not list anything that sounds close, other than the Navy ARC net.

Cany anyone give me some more info?

Thanks,
Ed - N5KZW

645. FA: HIFI AUDIO (GRAPHIC EQUALIZER) - LAST DAY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 16:37:35 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cb6bbcc.389671608@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4330

Enhance your AM or SSB audio with the 10 channel graphic equalizer
listed below. Use right channel for your receiver audio, left channel
for your transmit audio.
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343572963

646. FA: HIFI AUDIO (DIGITAL DELAY) - LAST DAY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 16:38:13 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cbabbf3.389709983@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4331

Add some presence to your SSB and AM audio with the digital delay
listed here:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1343586223

647. CENTRALAB CERAMIC SWITCH

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 16:39:15 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cb6bc35.389775797@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4332

CENTRALAB CERAMIC ROTARY SWITCH -This is a NEW/UNUSED Centralab ceramic rotary switch. Box has faded "2005" on the label, but not sure the box matches the switch. The switch appears to be a 2-pole-12-throw rotary suitable for audio or low power RF applications. The stops on the switch mechanism currently block it to 2-throw positions, but by changing the tabs it appears that all 12 switch positions can be enabled. Not sure if contacts are copper or silver plate. $18, I ship. Pay by money order or cashiers check. Email to dt0124@comcast.net

648. Re: Alternate radio organizations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-11 22:14:53 UTC
From: ursus major <someone@microsoft.com>
Message-ID: <xVnt8.69043$z9.10596@news.easynews.com>
Source record: 4333

As with the other responder, I am giving you the benefit of assuming that
you are not trolling.

You have told us what you don't like in the existing amateur radio society.
Tell us what you would like.

You say that you are 'interested' in radio .. what interests you about
radio?
What would you like to be able to do with radio?
What should a radio club be like? Tell us about an ideal club.
What would people be doing that would make you want to associate with them?
Are you interested in other aspects of electronics? Computers? Audio?
Robotics?

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"Dad, I'm so booored! A lot of 'being bored' is simply not knowing what you
want to do. Perhaps if you can focus your interests, you will be able to
find a group of people with like interests.

Alan Walkington - ab0nu

"Vshah101" <vshah101@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020408225604.11995.00002884@mb-mk.aol.com...
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> However, in practice, these people do not exist at the meetings. I thought
> perhaps the group I joined was boring, so I tried two other Ham clubs.
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> clearly a need for another amateur radio orgnization besides "Ham" radio.
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radio,
> another organization is needed.
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649. Re: Tin Can Sailors Net??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-12 02:55:43 UTC
From: jnorfolk@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <c332f806.0204111855.1cbf632c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4334

n5kzw@arrl.net (Ed Bailen) wrote in message news:<3cb5ae8a.821956311@news.ev1.net>...
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> Ed - N5KZW

The ARRL on line net directory is at

http://www2.arrl.org/FandES/field/nets/client/index.html

Searching for Tin Can Sailors, the only one listed is the one on
14255 kHz Sundays at 2100 UTC (probably 2000 UTC during the summer).

Other net listings can be found at

http://www.worldofradio.com/nets2you.html

http://www.ac6v.com/nets.htm

650. FA: Factory original Motorlola Radio Interface Box (RIB)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-12 03:23:42 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cb75336.428437500@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4335

FA: Factory original Motorlola Radio Interface Box (RIB)

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1345831309

651. Re: Alternate radio organizations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-12 03:29:40 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020411232940.16841.00003198@mb-fx.aol.com>
Source record: 4336

>As with the other responder, I am giving you the benefit of assuming that
>you are not trolling.

I am not trolling. I am just frustrated with some Ham clubs. Most of the Hams seem to emphacize Morse code and contesting, activities which I do not find particularly interesting. Then, they claim I am am not a "real" Ham if I do not like those activities. Also, most do not seem to be interested in technical activities.

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I have a degree in Electrical Engineering and I am interested in the technical aspects of radio. Some things I would like to do include antenna setup, foxhunting, mobile communications, setting up transmitters and receivers in challenging terrain.

Also, a radio club should have the opportunity to build circuits. I would like to experiment with various circuits, for example those in the ARRL handbook, and learn from them. Group projects would be useful. It is easier to build projects if several people work on it. You could try several variations if several people share in the project.

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>"Dad, I'm so booored! A lot of 'being bored' is simply not knowing what you
>want to do. Perhaps if you can focus your interests, you will be able to
>find a group of people with like interests.

A club should do more than meet once a month. There should be more activities. A Hamfest is fine, but there should be more than that. Camping, boating, foxhunts, towers visits, repeater visits, are some examples. Even those people that were interested solely in operation would be bored with no activities besides monthly meetings.

652. Re: Alternate radio organizations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-12 06:23:27 UTC
From: Sarge <sarge-43@NOSPAMtexas.net>
Message-ID: <z3vt8.94776$r7.8280633@bin8.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4337

Well as far as such "specialty clubs" not existing, how about AMSAT? Working birds is lots of fun and you can design and build lots of your own stuff. Also things like Skywarn, RACES, etc. those are specialties as far as clubs and purposes go.
There is SSTV and MARS. Our club has made itself available and on call to the city and county authorities for emergency communications and search situations.
You can set up your own iLink at home be mobile and dial up another repeater system in another country and impress the your neighbors. HAhahaha!
Remember a club is only as boring and lazy as its membership lets it be.

"Vshah101" <vshah101@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020410233905.11987.00003477@mb-mk.aol.com...
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653. FA: COLLINS 651S1 HF RECEIVER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-12 07:03:49 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cb786cd.12481777@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4338

FA: COLLINS 651S1 HF RECEIVER

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1345857655

654. Re: Alternate radio organizations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-12 10:41:40 UTC
From: bbonney@cfl.rr.com
Message-ID: <3cb6a791.552358071@news-server.cfl.rr.com>
Source record: 4339

On 09 Apr 2002 02:56:04 GMT, vshah101@aol.com (Vshah101) wrote:

I've found ham radio is a big tent. There's plenty of opportunity for
folks of wildely varied interests.

>I am interested in radio, but the morse code requirement is turning me away
>from Ham Radio. I want to experiment wtht the technical aspects of radio, not
>just operate it. I know the morse debate is not a new debate and there are
>those strongly for it. Lets just say that I am not interested in memorizing the
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>above the Technician class licence. But, I will still resent it. I would much
>rather have a more challenging test (that requires more than memorizing the
>question and answers), than put up with learning Morse code (which I never
>intend to use).

No sweat. If you don't want to learn the code, there are lots of
activities you can be involved in over 50 MHz.
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>ARRL handbook and QST, you may believe Ham radio is an interesting hobby.
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>perhaps the group I joined was boring, so I tried two other Ham clubs. They
>were boring also. So, it seems that Ham radio is boring. At one of the
>meetings, it was mentioned that so many new recruits quit. I am not surprised.

Members of those clubs are interested in things they are interested
in. You are interested in things you are interested in. Boring is in
the eye of the beholder.
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>share their knowledge. The people act like they are part of some strange cult.
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>code transmission from a fellow Ham. At least foxhunts and mobile operations
>are interesting. But if you are interested in these activities, you are not a
>"true" Ham.

See previous comment about the eye of the beholder. My observation is
that most contesting occurs on HF bands. Since you don't do code, that
shouldn't be a problem. Whatever floats your boat.
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>Also, Ham radio does not have a good reputation. I mentioned this to some

>friends and they started to make fun of it. I told them Morse code was required
>and one person mentioned that that nobody uses that anymore. Then, they
>compared Hamfests to Star Trek conventions. They asked if Hams do any
>interesting activities or have many females in the organization. The answer to
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>Ham radio, it can even be a negative. One manager said he would never hire a
>Ham radio person. He did not say why. Ham radio is known more as a cult than a
>technical activity and this could hurt you in industry.

Hamfesters will never be mistaken for the casting call for the
Baywatch reunion movie. So what? Do you know what the general
population would think of the attendees of an IEEE convention? Are
hams not respected in your industry? Then is't up to us hams to
educate them what we do and who we are.

Should there be more (signle, attractive, etc) women in ham radio.
Absolutely! What are you doing to recruit them? Have you volunteered
to speak at to a technically oriented school (high school or college)
group?

You mentioned a manager who would never hire a ham. So what? I know
some folls who won't hire an engineer who doesn't play golf. Everybody
is entitled to their (uniformed) beliefs.
>
>I would like to know if there are any other radio organizations. Do specialy
>Ham clubs exist that mostly focus on the aspects I find interesting?

Are there other organizations? Sure. I can quickly think of several
groups working on "interesting" activities:
- Tuscon Amateur Packet Radio (http://www.tapr.org) has pioneered
digital communications and is now working on software defined radio
projects.
- AMSAT (http://www.amsat.org) is working with groups around the world
building, launching, and operating amateur satellites.
- A Brevard County (Fla) group building portable NTSC-compatable
amateur television units to use in disaster and public service events.
- Orange County ARES/RACES built trackers that, along with a GPS and
HT, provided real-time position information during a charity walk/bike
event.
- Seminole County ARES/RACES is working with others to put together a
statewide digital communications system.

I can also think of individuals who do other "intersting" stuff. For
instance, a ham in Columbia SC builds gigahertz preams and high power
transmitters to work moonbounce. My experience has been local clubs
will welcome anyone who wants to chair special activities. Have you
volunteered to organize the next fox hunt or picnic or Saturday fun
day or presentation at a school? Have your efforts to join an lead
been rebuffed? The start your own informal group.

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>like the amateur spectrum is owned solely by Ham Radio (with the exception of

>the CB band). They problem with that is that "Hams" are too restrictive. You
>have to do it their way or else. Due to the morse code requirement, there is
>clearly a need for another amateur radio orgnization besides "Ham" radio. Also,
>Hams are stuck in their prospective. In order to broaden the horizons of radio,
>another organization is needed.
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You bet we're restrictive. There are plenty of services (FRS, GMRS,
CB, etc) for folks who don't want to deal with the FCC rules. Great.
Wonderful. I wish them all the best. There is plenty of room for us
all. I'll put my plug in for the ARRL now: if it wasn't for a strong
national organization we would likely loose most of our spectrum very
quickly. The folks with the money lust after our bandwith and it takes
people who know how Washington works to fight to keep what we have.
$39 a year is IMHO a cheap price to pay.

One last thought: remember that not everyone in amateur radio is an
electrical engineer, not everyone is interested in the same areas that
you are. An electronics technician who deals with practical issues
sees things differently from the BSEE (who has the designer's
prospective), which is different from my BSCE professional engineer
point of view which is different from the prospective of the retired
mail man. Time to stop complaining and start doing!

OK, I'll step down from my soapbox.

BTW, what's your callsign? I don't see anyone in NH named Shah.

Benton Bonney, PE
W4PE
Orlando, FL

655. Re: Q: HTX-202 and 13.2v battery pack ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-13 03:01:18 UTC
From: Bob McConnell <rmcconne.NOSPAM@lightlink.com>
Message-ID: <po7fbucqj6uio7dt9kh65qjg2894t93667@4ax.com>
Source record: 4340
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On 10 Apr 2002 13:09:34 -0700, lbrty4us@aol.com wrote:

>While we are at it, may I ask, was there ever a blank slide-on cover
>made or furnished for when you use the thing without the orgijnal
>battery pack? Sure like to have one, no mention in RatShack info.

When I bought mine, it came with an extra pack for six standard AA
cells. I have that filled with NiCads, now that the original pack is
dead.

Bob McConnell
N2SPP

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-13 12:25:31 UTC
From: W4PHM <w4phm@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <a997v9$f3v$1@slb1.atl.mindspring.net>
Source record: 4341
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

They still make and sell the AA battery pack, you have to order it from the catalogue but it, as well as the leather case and the 7.2 volt NiCad are still available from RS.

73

Patrick
W4PHM

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657. AEA232 Packet setup sold

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-13 14:25:17 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020413102517.02332.00000690@mb-fn.aol.com>
Source record: 4342

It appears the unit is spoken for. Thanks all for the inquiries. Lew KlNDV

658. MOTOROLA JEDI BELT CLIPS (HT-1000, MT-2000, JT-1000, MTS-2000)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-13 14:50:34 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cbb45b6.126891109@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4343

MOTOROLA JEDI BELT CLIPS (HT-1000, MT-2000, JT-1000, MTS-2000)

Have a pair of NEW/UNUSED detachable 3" belt clips for Motorola JEDI series portables (HT-1000, MT-2000, JT-1000, MTS-2000). They have a spring loaded hinge which slides into the channel on the battery. $8.00 each, both for $15.00, I ship. Payment by cashiers check or money order. Contact me via email if interested: dt0124@comcast.net.

659. FA: LOTS OF PATCH BAY HARDWARE, $15 CURRENT BID, LAST DAY

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-13 15:15:57 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cba4ba9.128414320@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4344

FA: LOTS OF PATCH BAY HARDWARE, $15 CURRENT BID, LAST DAY

Auction ends April 14 at 00:04 PDT. Current high bid is about $15 for 35+ connectors and related hardware.,

LARGE LOT SWITCHCRAFT 1/4" NOS TT T/R/S TELEPHONE AUDIO PATCH BAY HARDWARE Here is a batch of New Old Stock (NOS) Switchcraft 1/4" T/R/S audio patch bay plugs, connectors, and other hardware. Descriptions of this hardware include Tiny Telephone, TT, MT-series, 1/4" telephone audio jacks. Some items may be MIL spec. Most items appear new, a few may be used. The lot includes jacks in various configurations (Make-Break, Tip-Ring, Tip-Ring-Sleeve), some plugs and connectors, a panel switch, and misc. hardware, contacts, etc.

http://cgi.ebay.com/aw-cgi/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1344033924

660. Indoor Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 07:30:06 UTC
From: "." <body4u@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <2eau8.10710$6G4.272334@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4345

Okay, here it is: I live on the second floor of a 3 storey wood frame building. No Patio. Is there hope for transmitting on HF from here?

661. Indoor Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 07:35:01 UTC
From: "." <body4u@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Fiau8.10712$6G4.271942@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4346

Okay, here it is: I live on the second floor of a 3 storey wood frame building. No Patio. Is there hope for transmitting on HF from here?

662. Re: 6 meter antenna?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 09:53:46 UTC
From: azladiesaux <azladiesaux@cox.net>
Message-ID: <Kkcu8.34736$%A.2588539@news1.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4347
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Another thing to try with the DP-GH62 is to put wooden dowels thru-out to
beef it up, this will help quite a bit with strong winds

"Mark Walsh" <mark@km6xu.die.spam.die.com> wrote in message
news:a6j431$c6o$1@bob.news.rcn.net...
> "JEEPMON" <JEEPMON@HOTMAIL.COM> wrote:
>
> > I need help picking the best 6 meter vertical antenna.
> > I think I have narrowed it down to:
> > Hy-Gain V-6R
> > Diamond DP-GH62
>
> > Has anyone ever used these two antennas and if so wich are the best in
> > radiation, gain, and quality.
>
> I've been through a couple of GH62 antennas.
> They offer great gain, but are easily destroyed by wind.
>
>

663. FS: Working HW-101, SB-600 with HP-23 Supply, SB-630 and Accessories

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 14:14:46 UTC
From: cbfengineer@telusplanet.net
Message-ID: <bde1fc16.0204140614.6d8fcd6c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4348
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I have a working HW-101 rig with the power supply, speaker and station console, SWR/power meter and various cables to connect it all together that I would like to clear out to make room. Reasonable cosmetic condition, no serious dings, dints or scratches. Dials and knobs okay. Looking for $200 USD plus reasonable shipping costs for the lot.

Contact me at

cbfengineer@telusplanet.net

for details.

Regards,

Curtis

664. Re: Tin Can Sailors Net??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 15:46:24 UTC
From: n5kzw@arrl.net
Message-ID: <3cb9a42e.1081486918@news.ev1.net>
Source record: 4400

On 11 Apr 2002 19:55:43 -0700, jnorfolk@hotmail.com (John Norfolk)
wrote:

>n5kzw@arrl.net (Ed Bailen) wrote in message news:<3cb5ae8a.821956311@news.ev1.net>...
>> The wife and I had a very enjoyable QSO on 2M simplex with an
>> 18-wheeler while driving through (most of) Arkansas last Tuesday. The
>> other OP (Jim, KB9VR) was an ex-destroyer man like me. He said that
>> he thought there was an 80-M net for tin can sailors, but he wasn't
>> sure.
>>
>> I can't find anything on the ARRL web site, but I don't know whether
>> they have an electronic list of nets as they also sell a book of net
>> listings. My 1988 copy of the Net Directory does not list anything
>> that sounds close, other than the Navy ARC net.
>>
>> Cany anyone give me some more info?
>>
>> Thanks,
>> Ed - N5KZW
>
>The ARRL on line net directory is at
>
>http://www2.arrl.org/FandES/field/nets/client/index.html
>
>Searching for Tin Can Sailors, the only one listed is the one on
>14255 kHz Sundays at 2100 UTC (probably 2000 UTC during the summer).
>
>Other net listings can be found at
>
>http://www.worldofradio.com/nets2you.html
>
>http://www.ac6v.com/nets.htm

Thanks, John. - Ed

665. Re: Indoor Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 16:16:14 UTC
From: "Benton Bonney, W4PE" <bbonney@cfl.rr.com>
Message-ID: <k1ajbu44tlfdta5uvi48gr2vace95ts8ot@4ax.com>
Source record: 4349

On Sun, 14 Apr 2002 07:30:06 GMT, "." <body4u@hotmail.com> wrote:

>Okay, here it is: I live on the second floor of a 3 storey wood frame
>building. No Patio. Is there hope for transmitting on HF from here?
>

Can you transmit? Sure. Will anybody hear you? Maybe.

How well do you get along with the landlord and your fellow tenants?
You could place dipole in the attic or a loop on the roof if they
don't mind . I had fair success working HF (100 watts +/-) using a
roof mounted loop and MFJ manual tuner.

Otherwise, you can place a loop around the perimeter of the ceiling of
your largest room. You will probably be limited to higher frequencies
and low power. If you're in the US, do the RF safety calculations and
be prepared for complaints if you get into your neighbors' TVs,
etc.You may need to help them to solve their RFI or agree to "quiet
times."

Also think about how you will handle station grounding. Do you have a
cold water pipe that's metal all the way to the ground. If not,
there's another good reason to stay QRP.

If none of these work, you'll have to limit yourself to mobile
(permanently mount the radio/antenna in/to your car), portable (mount
the radio but use a larger wire or vertical antenna) or a club
station.

73 de Benton, W4PE

666. Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 22:20:24 UTC
From: Carl Walthall <n3qom@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <Ignu8.23951$G72.16794@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 4401
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Hi All

I have a 1998 Ford Expedition that I would like to put a 2 meter radio in.
Can someone tell me the best position to mount the radio an antenna so that
I dont damage the SUV?

Thanks Carl

667. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 23:08:26 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3CBA0B48.5C529602@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4402
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

carl
i dont know the lay out of the SUV but i would suggest mounting it where the
ashtray is unless you smoke then you can go with one of those radios that has
a removable face plate then mount the radio under the seat and the faceplate on
the dash somewhere
as for an antenna a 5/8 wave on a magmount on the roof would be good

Carl Walthall wrote:

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>
> Thanks Carl

668. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-14 23:16:19 UTC
From: Gary Glaenzer <nobulltrans@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <75ou8.14340$HH5.1600@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4403
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

radio:

where it is convenient and out of the way of ashes, spills, and water from
open windows

antenna:

dead center on the roof.............if you can't bear to put a 3/4" hole in
the roof, you don't really need a radio in the vehicle

"Carl Walthall" <n3qom@insightbb.com> wrote in message
news:Ignu8.23951$G72.16794@sccrnsc01...
> Hi All
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> I dont damage the SUV?
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> Thanks Carl
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669. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-15 00:57:55 UTC
From: xpyttl <xpyttl_nospam@earthling.net>
Message-ID: <ubk9dbp0f1b2fc@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4404
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

One nice idea I saw with the Icom-207H (a dual-band rig) was to mount the head up by the mirror. They have a long cable available and the wire is easily hidden in the molding, plus the 207's head is quite small. There's a picture at http://www.qsl.net/w8kea. The guy who did it made a bracket so the molding screws could hold it in place.

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>
> Thanks Carl

670. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-15 01:34:31 UTC
From: DBN <dnicholson@socket.net>
Message-ID: <ubkbg28n9qtr8c@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4405
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

I agree....If you want to make the antenna work the best just drill the dang hole like a real man and live with it...Magmounts suck and they damage the paint. And glass mount antennas are even worse...

IMHO YMMV

Dan

671. Re: HELP: Vertical Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-15 02:29:58 UTC
From: lousherry <lousherry@lanset.com>
Message-ID: <3CBA3B26.1000606@lanset.com>
Source record: 4406
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

I have been using a GAP Titan since they came out. Its a great piece of work. I regularly use it 6m to 80m. I understand some guys have had good success on 2 meters. I have use it on 160m but with a out of sight swr.
Lou
KB6FFT

RVMJ wrote:

> Malcolm G4CXT wrote:
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>
>>If the G5RV is reasonably symmetrical in the air without too many
>>obstructions around it, and it is tuned with a properly balanced
>>tuner then it will NOT radiate from the feeder on any bands.
>>
>
> I understood that on some lower bands the feeder was
> designed to radiate; I would be grateful for a bit more detail on
> this. Should the feeder radiate, then as I said , there will be
> noise pickup on this on receive, which will degrade the signal-
> to-noise ratio.
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>>If the G5RV is reasonably symmetrical in the air without too many
>>obstructions around it, and it is tuned with a properly balanced
>>tuner then it will NOT radiate from the feeder on any bands.
>>
>
>>If any of these conditions are not true, however, then there
>>may well be some imbalance in the feeder and radiation will
>>result - but not by design.
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>
> Well, there's many ifs and buts there! And modern gardens
> generally don't have so much clear space. But we don't know
> the original poster's situation as far as that is concerned.
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>
>>ANY multiband antenna of any construction, shape or design is a
>>compromise over a single-band, single purpose antenna!
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>
> Of course it is.

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>
>>Now, to the original question - I have an 80m dipole with tuned
>>open-wire feeder at 35ft and a GAP Titan mounted in a reasonably
>>clear spot on flat sandy soil. On all bands from 40m to 10m the
>>GAP is at least as good as the dipole, and on some bands for
>>certain QSOs is better. DX performance on 40m & 30m is generally
>>better on the vertical, but mainly because of reduced european
>>signal levels.
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>
> I'm sorry to say that the statement that "On all bands from 40m
> to 10m the GAP is at least as good as the dipole, and on
> some bands for certain QSOs is better" is the sort of
> sweeping generality that ignores the fundamentals and as a
> consequence gets some antennas a bad name where it isn't
> deserved, and some a good name that isn't deserved either.
> You are simply comparing apples and oranges here. Your
> 'dipole' (by which I think you mean a doublet resonant on 80m)
> has a variation in radiation pattern as a function of band that
> simply doesn't exist in the same form with a vertical. On some
> bands you could be operating with a major lobe (with gain!) to
> a target area, and on a different band the same target area
> could be in a null (with negative gain!). This alone could give
> rise to the basis for your statement, but it isn't as a comparison
> of a vertical and doublet on otherwise equal terms - it is as a
> function of the changing radiation pattern of the doublet!
>
> This is why I said to the original poster to mug up on antenna
> radiation patterns, decide what he can put up in his own
> particular location, and operate accordingly using the
> advantages of the chosen antenna to the maximum, and being
> mindful of it's disadvantages
>
>
>>As somebody said before 80m performance is poor
>>on the GAP. Its not a mirical antenna, but its at least as good
>>as any other multi-bander and has a good bandwidth on all bands
>>except 80m. It also costs a lot of money ... a lot more than I
>>had when I was 16!
>>
>
> Biut WHY is 80m performance 'poor' for the GAP? Over what
> ranges? Day or night? Seasons? These are all important
> factors. What other fundamentals are being ignored here - if
> any! I'm not familiar with this antenna, so can't really comment
> apart from raising the obvious questions.
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>
>>But it just could be Neither of these antennas will be

>>competitive in large contests on any bands .... you need a 3kW
>>amplifier and all controls turned to maximum (especially the
>>speech processor) to join in! (It also helps if you listen on
>>the frequency before transmitting, but that appears to be
>>optional!)
>>
>
> LOL! I've got to agree with you there. But I also tried to say to
> the original poster that with a system designed by him, where
> its good and bad points are known and explored, he could
> have a reasonable shot at contesting; but he'll have to bear in
> mind the points you've just raised. It boils down to station
> design and operating skill, something one has to
> learn....usually the hard way, but not necessarily expensively
> so. And picking the right contests - about which I can't offer any
> advice.
>
> Thanks for responding, I quite enjoyed this. I hope we haven't
> left the original poster behind or forgotten his needs. As I said,
> you can't teach it - or learn it - all in one posting. Antennas can
> and have formed the basis of lifelong experimentation for
> some amateurs. It's a topic I personally find fascinating.
>
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672. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-15 04:46:28 UTC
From: Carl Walthall <n3qom@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <EWsu8.15019$4D6.936@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4407
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Should I be concern about the radio output blowing my SUV's computer??

"Carl Walthall" <n3qom@insightbb.com> wrote in message
news:Ignu8.23951$G72.16794@sccrnsc01...
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> Thanks Carl
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673. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-15 09:20:59 UTC
From: NS9G <ns9g@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <%Xwu8.41504$CH1.37621@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4408
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

"Carl Walthall" <n3qom@insightbb.com> wrote in message
news:EWsu8.15019$4D6.936@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net...
> Should I be concern about the radio output blowing my SUV's computer??

You should be more concerned about the top-heavy thing turning over.
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73 de Bob NS9G

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674. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-15 14:10:59 UTC
From: Dave <dave#@#wilburn.hrcoxmail.com>
Message-ID: <TbBu8.32817$GG1.2292344@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4409
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

I don't deal with the sub-compacts much, I have an Excursion. ;^) Anyway, on the bottom of the dash is a small indentation. Just below the pocket in the dash to the right of the steering wheel. Brake controllers are often mounted there. I mounted my radio there and mounted the brake controller to another bracket connected to the radio bracket. I then use a 2m magmount that looks like a cell phone antenna. I can hit all the repeaters I need in about a 50 mile radius. The newer magmounts have a layer of mylar over the magnet, so it does not damage the vehicle. My has worked quite well, and I enjoy it quite a bit. Good luck.

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Dave
KG4SSO

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675. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-16 01:50:57 UTC
From: dnb <dnb@comcastt.com>
Message-ID: <5sLu8.533$XV5.79008@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4410
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Comet and Diamond Antenna make mounts that attach nicely to the side lip of the hatch door. I've got two mounted near the top, on either side, and they work nicely. This area is black trim on my '97 so there is no paint to mar. Also, this mounting location is fine when you open the hatch, because the antenna lays out horizontally along the roof line, a bit outboard so it clears the roof.

676. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-16 02:51:37 UTC
From: Mark Walsh <mark@km6xu.die.spam.die.com>
Message-ID: <a9g3hh$6bi$1@bob.news.rcn.net>
Source record: 4411
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

"Carl Walthall" <n3qom@insightbb.com> wrote:

> Should I be concern about the radio output blowing my SUV's computer??

Ew, that sounds like the makings of an old Gary Larson cartoon...

677. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-16 12:48:00 UTC
From: phranqueopinion2@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020416084800.00480.00004033@mb-mj.aol.com>
Source record: 4412

I do not drive an SUV. This is what worked in my Camry. I was able to slide a peice of thin brass into the space below the AC vent in the center of the dash and bend it down and secure it with some velcro, then I mounted the control head of my FT 8100 (Dual Band) on the brass, I then mounted the radio under the seat.

678. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-16 12:52:40 UTC
From: Gary Glaenzer <nobulltrans@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <s8Vu8.53484$CH1.48753@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4413
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

"Mark Walsh" <mark@km6xu.die.spam.die.com> wrote in message
news:a9g3hh$6bi$1@bob.news.rcn.net...
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back in the early 80's, we were putting radios in new LTD squad cars

the city insisted on having the antennas mounted ON the light
bars.............well, there was about 3 extra feet of light bar cable left
over, so the install guy made a loop around the 'computer' (actually, the
ignition module) on the left inner fender

all was well until a car was going balls-to-the-wall to an accident one day,
the driver hit the button on the mike, and the ignition died, just like
you'd turned the key off

only on one channel of the radio, and only at wide-open throttle

but boy, did we have fun 'diagnosing' the trouble.....we must have
used 5 tanks of gas 'trying to duplicate the problem'.....

679. Re: Backcountry Hiking and 6m HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-16 12:54:16 UTC
From: phranqueopinion2@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020416085416.00480.00004034@mb-mj.aol.com>
Source record: 4414

6 meters in an HT will not work. You need more than 5 watts and you need more than a rubber duck. I live in an area in which I only have to deal with a few hills. I have an HT with 6 meters (Have had it for years) I just does not word, I have a repeater less than two miles from where I live and I can not get into it because it is on the other side of a peak. Even when 6 is open and HT will not work. The only reason companies put 6 meters into and HT is for marketing.

680. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-16 22:13:14 UTC
From: Bill Hall <bhallc21@flash.net>
Message-ID: <3CBCA1C0.BA6123E4@flash.net>
Source record: 4415
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Carl:
You might consider something innovative as I had to do on a lease vehicle. I have a 99 Explorer (Limited) and there is NO spare space , so I made up two inverted "J"
brackets; bolted them to the mobile mount bracket, mounted the bracket to the bottom of the radio and hung it from the center console(open the console, hang it on and close the cover). No holes to drill, easily reachable/readable and when I leave the vehicle for an extended period, I open the console; raise the radio up and slide it under the seat. Works for me! If you're interested, e-mail me direct and I'll tell you about the "no holes visible" roof mount I made! G.I. ingenuity!

Bill kd5reg

Carl Walthall wrote:

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> Thanks Carl

681. RNewsline 1297 - April 12 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-17 18:03:44 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020417140345.07867.00007566@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 4416

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1287 - April 12 2002

(Note: Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF is away on business this week. ARNewsline™ Report 1287 was produced and recorded in New Orleans Louisiana by Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA)

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1287 with a release date of Friday, April 12th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Another threat to the 2.4 Gigahertz band. This time it comes from the FCC. That story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1287 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LEGISLATION: FCC PROCEEDING PUTS NEW PRESSURE ON AMATEUR MICROWAVE BAND

The FCC has again targeted Amateur Radio's primary allocation at 2390 to 2400 MHz for possible sharing or use by other radio services. Newslines Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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According to the ARRL Letter, a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking known as WT Docket 02-55 has been presented by the FCC. The Letter says that it invites comments on either sharing the 2390 to 2400 MHz band with public safety services being displaced from 800 MHz or moving amateurs elsewhere.

The N-P-R-M identifies 2390 to 2400 MHz as an "Unlicensed P-C-S Band." Unlicensed, asynchronous P-C-S devices were authorized there in 1995, but Amateur Radio remains primary.

Why the action now? The FCC says that its receiving an increasing number of reports of incidents of harmful interference to public safety systems in the 800 MHz band. To alleviate the problem, the Commission now is looking into restructuring 800 MHz and moving some occupants elsewhere. And 2390 to 2400 MHz could be where those users get moved.

But says the FCC, that’s only one piece of spectrum being considered. One place its not looking is the adjacent 2385 to 2390 MHz band. The FCC says it can’t consider 2385 to 2390 MHz because that part of the band is slated to be auctioned off.

This is the second threat to the ham radio allocation in less than a year. Just last summer, the FCC invited comments on its proposals to reallocate some

spectrum in the 2390 to 2400 MHz amateur segment for possible use by unspecified mobile and fixed services. The Commission has also proposed 2390 to 2400 MHz and other bands to support the introduction of advanced wireless systems, including so-called third-generation or 3 G mobile systems. The FCC also has asked for comments on whether amateurs could share the band with government users.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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WT Docket 02-55 was released in mid-March but not yet available for public response. The FCC will officially invite comments for 30 days after the NPRM is published in the Federal Register. Reply comments will be due 60 days following publication in the Federal Register. The ARRL says that it plans to file comments in this proceeding. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: FCC MAY MANDATE FASTER CONVERSION TO DTV

Federal regulators may look for ways to mandate faster transition to all-digital television if the TV industry fails to move quickly enough on its own. This, according to a Federal Communications Commission official speaking on Friday April 5th.

The comments are from Ken Ferree, chief of the FCC’s Media Bureau. And what he has said adds emphasis to a proposal by the agency's chairman that aims to bring digital TV to more American viewers.

FCC Chairman Michael Powell has challenged everyone involved in the digital conversion, including television networks, local network-affiliated stations, cable and satellite service providers and equipment manufacturers to voluntarily meet a series of goals on the way to a 2006 deadline.

Accordng to Ferree, Powell’s proposal, which was sent to Capitol Hill and the industry on Thursday April 4th is an effort by the FCC to pressure the industry into voluntary compliance. He says that Chairman Powell believes exposing more consumers to the technology of digital television will stimulate them to demand more and thus jump-start development. (Published report)

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FCC TO UTILITY: STOP INTERFERING WITH HAM RADIO

The FCC has told GPU Energy Corporation of Morristown, New Jersey to clean up the harmful interference that the utility is causing to several area radio amateurs. In a letter to GPU Energy the FCC said that incidental interference from its Part 15 devices to operations of authorized stations cannot be tolerated and that use of the devices cannot resume until the harmful condition is corrected.

According to the W5YI Report, those hams complaining have been unable to find a satisfactory remedy through the GPU complaint resolution process. They turned

to the FCC which investigated. Now the FCC has told GPU that unresolved interference complaints may constitute a rules violation that could lead to fines. The FCC urged GPU Energy to contact the ARRL for advice in resolving the issues. (W5YI)

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INDUSRTY NEWS: NEW DEALER & MANUFACTURERS GROUP FORMED

During the informal annual industry meeting of Amateur Radio manufacturers held in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and hosted by AES during Superfest 2002, the industry decided to create a formalized and official industry group for dealers and manufacturers.

The American Association of Radio Enthusiasts (AARE) was formed as a non-profit corporation for the promotion of amateur radio and emergency communications into areas outside of amateur radio and to provide a conduit for dealers and manufacturers to exchange ideas, to work together on projects, to help ham radio grow and to double the number of hams in 5 years.

Members of this group will be the manufacturers and dealers of radio and emergency products. The group will be ‘the voice’ of the manufacturers and dealers in radio, much like the American Radio Relay League is the voice of each ham radio operator. (AARE)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Peoria Amateur Radio Club Repeater serving Peoria Illinois.

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THE CONVENTION SCENE: HAMFESTS ARE SAFE

The ham radio convention season is in full swing, but some radio amateurs are asking if it’s safe to attend them. President Bush says that we have to put 9/11 behind us and all Americans have to resume normal life. Most of us have, and the shows are going on. But regardless if it’s the OSCARS or a tiny hamfest, event planners are now taking a closer look at show security. This includes the giant Dayton Hamvention. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, looks at what they are doing to keep you safe as you enjoy ham radio’s greatest show on Earth:

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If you travel by air, or even visit your local police department, you have seen heightened security measures in place since the terror attacks of last September 11th. And while nobody expects an al-Quida sponsored assault on a hamfest, law enforcement and planners of even the smallest events cannot dismiss the possibility either.

A few weeks ago, the Dayton Hamvention mailed out a promotional flyer. One of the items it contained was an area dealing with show security. In reality, what was shown is nothing more than an update to what's been in place for several years, but as the magic weekend of May 17th to the 19th approaches, its important to take a look at what the Hamvention will be doing to make your stay safe and secure.

The rules in effect are the same we have all been living with since 911. Be prepared to show photo I-D upon request. Also be prepared to have vehicles, merchandise and personal items searched. This may be especially true of large containers such as backpacks.

Do you carry a weapon for self protection? Sorry, but no weapons will be permitted into the area. Hamvention says that even applies if you have a license to carry a concealed weapon. Leave the weapon at home. You won't be permitted in with it.

Nor can you bring in any ammunition, explosives, chemical or incendiary devices. Also banned are alcoholic beverages, drugs and burglary tools.

This year there will be tighter scrutiny of vendors as they bring truckloads of merchandise into the flea market and exhibit halls. Since most of you will arrive well after merchandise is in place, this will have little impact on the average attendee.

And very important. Everyone must display at all times, so it's clearly visible, a Hamvention badge or ticket.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Henry Feonberg, K2SSQ.

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Garry Matthews, KB8GOL, is Executive Director of Hamvention 2002. He recently told CQ Magazine that the planners are trying to take common-sense precautions to provide security for a show of this size. Matthews adds that 99% of Hamvention attendees will not notice anything different from past years. The most important thing is to know that Hamvention 2002 and every other ham radio show is doing everything to keep you safe. (CQ)

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THE CONVENTION SCENE: NO BIG ACTS AT HAMVENTION 2002 BANQUET

Speaking about Hamvention 2002, the planners say that you have spoken. As a result there will be no big name acts at this years grand awards banquet. Jim Graver, KB8PSO, is the General Chairman of Hamvention 2002:

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Graver: "This year we are returning to tradition of years past and will not have a post banquet entertainment."
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A few years ago, the Hamvention added concerts by top talents to its famed Saturday night gathering. Among those who have appeared are Joe Walsh and the Smothers Brothers. And even though the entertainment has been well received,

there has been a call from the ham community to get back to basics. And says Graver, so it shall be.

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Graver: “We have gotten feedback from our attendees saying that they would like to have the same banquet that they used to have years ago. So, in 2002, the Hamvention is going to deliver just that: A banquet with great food, a celebration of the award winners, fantastic guest speakers and of course prize drawings.”
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Jim Graver has a lot more to say about Hamvention 2002 and what will be happening this year. You can hear it in Part 2 of Hap Holly’s exclusive interview with KB8PSO. Just take your web browser over to www.rainreport.com and click on this weeks special. Or call area code 847-827-7246. That’s 847-827-R-A-I-N. (ARNewsline(tm))

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RADIO LAW: DIREC-TV SUES RADIO PERSONALITY OVER ALLEGED SIGNAL PIRACY

DIREC-TV Inc. is taking a New York City radio personality to court. This as it files suit against WFAN radio personality Sid Rosenberg alleging he violated the Digital Millennium Copyright Act and the Federal Communications Act by stealing its programming.

DIREC-TV says that on March 11th, while talking with Don Imus on the "Imus in the Morning" show on MSNBC, Rosenberg allegedly said he had used an illegally modified access card to steal DIREC-TV.

Although air personality Imus is said have told him what the was doing is "dishonest" and constitutes "stealing," Rosenberg allegedly continued to "boast" about using the illegally modified access card to watch movies and sports.

DIREC-TV says that with this lawsuit it is sending Mr. Rosenberg a very clear message. One that says using an illegally modified access card to receive DIRECTV programming is stealing and it violates federal law. Larry Rissler, vice president of DIREC-TV's Signal Integrity office adds that the company has a transcript of the program and what he calls Mr. Rosenberg's brazen comments on national television of stealing DIREC-TV programming. (DIREC-TV release)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: STEVE DIMSE K4HG HONORED BY NOAA

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has named Steve Dimse, K4HG, of Tucson Amateur Packet Radio, as recipient of one of its Environmental Hero Awards for the year 2002. Dimse, of Cudjoe Key, Florida is being honored for his volunteer efforts in real-time citizen weather observations.

The data collected by Dimse and other volunteers is used for numerical weather prediction research at NOAA's Forecast Systems Laboratory and for training and research at the National Center for Atmospheric Research. In Florida, the data

is used by National Weather Service’s Weather Forecast Offices for local area prediction. It is also used at Kennedy Space Center for weather prediction in support of launch operations.

Each year the agency presents a number of Environmental Hero Awards to people who don't work for NOAA, but have contributed a great deal to NOAA's ongoing job of providing environmental services to the citizens of the United States. For 2002, Dimse was one of five people chosen for this honor. (NOAA)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: GM3ITN INVITED TO FAULKLAND ISLANDS

Les Hamilton, GM3ITN, has been invited by the Falkland Islands government to visit the islands for the 20th anniversary of their emancipation. Hamelton played an important role in making the liberation happen. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, has more.

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It was Les Hamilton who first informed the UK government that the islands had been invaded. On the 2nd of April 1982, he received first-hand reports that the Argentine flag was flying over the islands. Les was therefore the first person outside the islands and Argentina to know that an invasion had taken place. He phoned the Ministry of Defense, who informed then Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

GM3ITN remained in contact with VP8 stations even during the period of occupation, passing vital information on to the MoD. Les and his wife Pilar also intercepted Argentinean radio communications, which Pilar - a university lecturer in the Spanish language - translated for the MoD.

Jeramy Boot,G4NJH.

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The Hamiltons will be flying to Port Stanley for the 20th anniversary celebrations which take place on June 14th. Until recently, Les Hamilton's role had been a closely-guarded secret, known only by senior British politicians, military intelligence officers and a select group of radio amateurs. (GB2RS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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HAMVENTION 2002: THE HARA ARENA STORY

Earlier in this weeks newscast we spoke about plans for this years Dayton Hamvention. As most of you are aware, Dayton’s HARA Arena has been the home of the Hamvention for many years. As a result the HARA has become as famous as the show it hosts. But there’s a lot more to the HARA story than just the Dayton Hamvention as we learn from Amateur News Weekly’s Jack Parker, W8ISH:

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The HARA Complex is as unique as its history. In 1956, a dance hall called the Wampler Ballarena was built as the cornerstone of what is now a six building exhibition center. Originally, the location was a thriving, family-owned fruit orchard. Today it is a thriving, family-owned entertainment, conference and exhibition facility.

Very few entertainment complexes are privately owned. Even fewer are family owned. You see HARA was named by founding brothers Harold and Ralph Wampler. The arena building, built in 1964, ushered in entertainment to the Dayton area never seen before. The Rolling Stones, Elton John, The Who, Neil Diamond, The Beatles, The Grateful Dead have all played at the facility.

The HARA has survived and prospered by combining the professionalism of one of the areas largest exhibition centers with the care and personal concern of a family business. Because of this the HARA has been the catalyst to successful hockey in Ohio's Miami Valley. The Dayton Gems and later, the Dayton Bombers, have both enjoyed success while on the HARA ice. But, most agree, the one event that has put HARA ARENA on the map worldwide, is the Dayton Hamvention. It’s where the Amateur Radio Community and a family owned business meet to carry on a wonderful tradition.

For Amateur News Weekly, Im Jack Parker, W8ISH

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Today, the HARA Arena remains the home to many high profile events for the Dayton area. This includes Disney On Ice, Sesame Street Live, the Silver Sticks Hockey team and of coarse the Dayton Hamvention. And, contrary to rumors on the Internet, the Hamvention says that it’s there to stay. (ANW)

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EMBARRASSING TECHNOLOGY: SPYWARE DEBACLE DISCLOSED

Call it a gotch’ya. This as thousands of Internet users who thought they were installing a program for sharing music and other computer files apparently accepted a program at the same time that tracked their Web surfing habits.

The tracking program, or spyware, linked Internet users to an on-line sweepstakes game called Click-Till-U-Win. But the site was also collecting data on other recent cyberspace visits by the surfer’s computer.

Spyware is a clandestine computer program downloaded to your computer without your knowledge that can track your Internet-surfing habits without your consent. These types of programs exist in the open elsewhere on the Internet, but in this case there was no disclosure and no option to reject.

Now at least three companies are posting new versions of their software on the web without the tracking programs. And one of the web sites is actually offering visitors to its site an apology. (Computing Technology)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: BRITISH HAM RESCUED BY HAM RADIO

Turning to international news, word that a ham radio operator and his wife on board a yacht that ran aground have been rescued. This, thanks to the efforts of radio amateurs on the Maritime Mobile Service Net.

According to reports from the ARRL and GB2RS, Dave Beane, G0TAG, and his wife Sara, were aboard the pleasure craft Tao when it ran aground on a reef off the north coast of Cuba on the 26th of March. Apparently their initial call for assistance to the Cuban authorities had no response.

So they turned to ham radio and the 20 meter Maritime Mobile Services Net. Radio amateurs in the United States and in the Virgin Islands were able to alert the authorities in Havana via the US Coast Guard and the Swiss Embassy in Washington. Later reports via amateur radio indicated the couple had been rescued and that efforts to salvage the vessel were under way. (ARRL, GB2RS, Q-News)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: SPACE REFERIGERATOR

SpaceDaily reports that when Space Shuttle Endeavour blasted into space recently it carried aboard the world's smallest version of a relatively new type of refrigerator. Called a pulse-tube cryocooler, the device was designed, built and tested under an agreement between the National Institute of Standards and Technology's Boulder Laboratories, Lockheed Martin Corporation and NASA's Ames Research Center. (ANS)

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DX

In D-X, A major international DXpedition will activate Melish Reef in the Coral Sea, east of Queensland, Australia, between the 12th and 22nd of April. The callsign will be VK9ML. Q-S-L as directed on the air. (OPDX)

And UR5EAW reports that the Islands of Ukraine on the Air Award Program Expedition will take place from May 1st through August 31st. The call sign to be use is E-M-11-E. The expedition will cover the Dniper River islands, the islands of the Black Sea and the Azov Sea. More info is on the web at www.qsy.to/ur5eaw. The QSL manager is UR5EAW : Shevchenko Alexander, Pelina str. 29, Dnepropetrovsk 49107 UA, Ukraine. (UR5EAW)

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A NEWSLINE FOLLOW-UP: A POLITICALLY DISORGANIZED 11 METER CLASS D SERVICE - PART 3

Over the past two weeks, Amateur Radio Newsline’s David Black, KB4KCH, has been looking at the not so political side of 11 meter Class-D C-B. In this third and final installment, David explores the reasons that there is little chance of C-B ever becoming a major two way radio political power:

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The Citizens band radio service has a unique distinction. For all the years it has existed...for all the people who have bought and used 11 meter radios...for all of the public exposure CB has obtained TV, radio and the movies, 11 meter Class D C-B remains the only major radio service in the U-S without political representation in Washington. No support either before the FCC or Congress.

In the mid 19-70s, the Government held conferences to find better ways to use C-B. Today's Government leaders give it no attention. Congress and local governments are tired of consumer complaints against C-B operators running illegal power and who interfere with all sorts of consumer electronic gear. As a result, federal regulations are now in place that give almost any law enforcement official the ability to shut a C-B operator down. The C-B operator can appeal, but it is a long, and costly process.

So why is nobody on 11 meters seriously attempting to organize users of the band? As one former CB enthusiast suggests: Perhaps it's the sheer diversity of the CB radio community. CB has over-the-road truckers, sidebanders, emergency monitors, numerous private nets, the occasional family highway trip, and the usual assortment of troublemakers. Each of these groups operate separately and independently of the others with apparently little knowledge or regard for other uses of the band.

Whatever the real reason or reasons, one simple fact remains. When it comes to having a voice before the FCC and Congress, CB radio is out in the cold. Chances seem slim it will ever have such a voice. And without that, C-B operators like Gary D. White in Illinois are likely to continue to face Disorderly Conduct charges for disturbing anyone by transmitting on the 11 meter Class D Citizens Band.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm David Black, KB4KCH.

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In closing, a word to those who have written. Some with questions. Other to add their own commentary. We sincerely appreciate your taking the time to write. You perspectives have been included in this final wrap-up. We thank you for your help in telling the story. (ARNewsline)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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Before we go, a reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year award is now open. No significant changes from last year. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA saying welcome to the year 2002, 73, and we thank you for listening."
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682. Re: Mounting a 2 meter radio in exedition?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-18 05:00:56 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <cqsv8.17$Ev5.34369@monger.newsread.com>
Source record: 4417
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

I drive a 4-Runner.

The control head is mounded on the console with double sided tape for the
bracket.
The RF deck, which is mounted on an Aluminum plate goes under the seat.
I was going to put some velcro on the bottom to keep it from sliding, but
never found a need.

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Roger (K8RI EN73)
WWW.RogerHalstead.com
N833R, World's Oldest Debonair? S#CD-2

"Bill Hall" <bhallc21@flash.net> wrote in message
news:3CBCA1C0.BA6123E4@flash.net...
> Carl:
> You might consider something innovative as I had to do on a lease vehicle.
I
> have a 99 Explorer (Limited) and there is NO spare space , so I made up
two
> inverted "J"
> brackets; bolted them to the mobile mount bracket, mounted the bracket to
the
> bottom of the radio and hung it from the center console(open the console,
hang
> it on and close the cover). No holes to drill, easily reachable/readable
and
> when I leave the vehicle for an extended period, I open the console; raise
the
> radio up and slide it under the seat. Works for me! If you're interested,
> e-mail me direct and I'll tell you about the "no holes visible" roof mount
I
> made! G.I. ingenuity!
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> Bill kd5reg
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> Carl Walthall wrote:
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> > Hi All
> >
> > I have a 1998 Ford Expedition that I would like to put a 2 meter radio
in.
> > Can someone tell me the best position to mount the radio an antenna so

that
> > I dont damage the SUV?
> >
> > Thanks Carl
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683. Re: Indoor Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-18 16:00:50 UTC
From: n8arw@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020418120050.06603.00003187@mb-mb.aol.com>
Source record: 4418

Yes....do you have access to the attic? If so, what size is it and what bands do you want to work? I used to live in apartment and worked 10M DX on a dipole strung across the bedroom from a curtain rod to the headboard on the bed.
Bill
N8ARW@aol.com

Faster and faster until the thrill of speed overcomes the fear of death!

684. Re: Backcountry Hiking and 6m HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-18 20:31:27 UTC
From: kinerm125@cs.com
Message-ID: <3e64731f.0204181231.6c718416@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4419

You might want to get the ARRL repeater directory and see if there are
any 6m repeaters in the area you're looking at. If not then I think 2
is a better choice. The problem is that a basic rubber duck on an HT
is very inefficient, especially on the lower frequencies. If you do
decide to go with 6, try and find an aftermarket replacement antenna.
I have a portable 6m rig that can run 1 watt on C cells, and the
telescopic whip is about 2 1/2 feet long. I can hit my local repeater
with it (about 15-20 miles). But with a rubber duck I doubt I could
hit that machine. ADI/Pryne makes a 6m HT, I don't know of any other
single-banders on the market.

Matt
n3soz

snakyjake1@hotmail.com (Jake McCrary) wrote in message
news:<2fac8683.0204051744.3972356a@posting.google.com>...
> I'm new to ham radio and picking out a radio for backcountry hiking in
> the Washington Cascade Mountain Range. This means trees and valleys
> and mountain peeks for the terrain.
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> I'm looking at the HT radios which use the 6m band, and wondering how
> they perform via simplex and repeater usage. Or is 6m pretty much
> worthless? Or is 2m good enough?
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> ...Please reply to newsgroup...
>
> Thanks,
>
> Jake

685. sale/swap FT-100D, FC-20, ATAS-100 for $ or FT-817 & stuff.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-19 02:23:37 UTC
From: snelson@kay-com.com
Message-ID: <3cbf7f7e.8413217@news.bs.webusenet.com>
Source record: 4420

Hi all!
I purchased (about 9 months ago) a Yaesu FT-100D (with seperation kit), the FC-20 auto-tuner and the ATAS-100 screwdriver antenna for a project I'm never going to get around to. And now I have the hots for a FT-817 and associated goodies.
So, if anyone is interested in the mint setup described above, and wants to buy it, or swap for it, email me at snelson@kay-com.com.
I should ad that the rig and tuner have been used about 5 or 6 times (not over 5 wpm!), and the antenna never.
Thanks!
Sam, WA5VDM

686. Help - No UHF Tx for Icom IC-2710H dualband mobile

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-19 06:33:47 UTC
From: Tony Baard <TONYB@ITS.uct.ac.za>
Message-ID: <3CBFBA4B.85CC16AA@ITS.uct.ac.za>
Source record: 4421
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,free.uk.amateur.radio,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

Hi there and thanks for reading this!

I am looking for some help in solving the following problem on an Icom IC-2710H dualband mobile radio;

The radio will only TX on VHF. The UHF frequencies can be dialled up but that band cannot be selected as the main band and hence no Tx. When coupling another IC-2710H control head to the radio, the UHF band can be selected as the main band, so I suspect something has been done to the other's control unit. I have tried a CPU reset to no avail.

Any ideas as to how I can fix this??

Thanks in advance!

Regards.

687. Re: Help - No UHF Tx for Icom IC-2710H dualband mobile

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-19 13:25:23 UTC
From: Don <hgtsrecycling@juno.com>
Message-ID: <3cc017a6_1@news.nntpserver.com>
Source record: 4422
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,free.uk.amateur.radio,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

A possibility is the band switch button has gone bad??

That would be the only thing I can think of.
Don

Tony Baard <TONYB@ITS.uct.ac.za> wrote in message
news:3CBFBA4B.85CC16AA@ITS.uct.ac.za...
> Hi there and thanks for reading this!
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> The radio will only TX on VHF. The UHF frequencies can be dialled up but
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> coupling another IC-2710H control head to the radio, the UHF band can be
> selected as the main band, so I suspect something has been done to the
> other's control unit. I have tried a CPU reset to no avail.
>
> Any ideas as to how I can fix this??
>
> Thanks in advance!
>
> Regards.

688. WTB: Station controller for RC8 remote sw

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-19 18:38:22 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020419143822.24805.00003723@mb-cf.aol.com>
Source record: 4423

Im looking for the controller for an Ameritron RC8 remote switch box. Have the antenna side but no shack controller. Putting up a quad- would like to complete the project soon. Thanks-Lew KlNDV

689. Re: Backcountry Hiking and 6m HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-20 15:26:33 UTC
From: kf6vyh@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020420112633.13715.00004976@mb-da.aol.com>
Source record: 4424

>I can hit my local repeater
>with it (about 15-20 miles).

You must have a clear shoot at the repeater. In the Washington cascades, I doubt there is a clear shoot.

690. FA: COLLINS 651S1 HF RECEIVER - 1 DAY LEFT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-20 15:46:12 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cc28d37.735027363@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4425

FA: COLLINS 651S1 HF RECEIVER

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1345857655

691. FA: Factory original Motorlola Radio Interface Box (RIB) - 1 DAY LEFT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-20 15:47:08 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3cc68d79.735093007@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4426

FA: Factory original Motorlola Radio Interface Box (RIB)

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1345831309

692. ARNewsline 1288 - April 19 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-21 07:48:25 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020421034825.11843.00007287@mb-mq.aol.com>
Source record: 4427

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1288 with a release date of
Friday, April 19th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Amateur Radio volunteerism is praised at the N-A-B
Ham Radio Reception and a Montana senator calls for a change in the way the
United States oversees the electromagnetic spectrum. These stories are first
on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1288 coming your way right now.

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AMERICA AT WAR: HAMS PRAISED AT NAB AMATEUR RADIO MIXER

The heroism of ham radio operators who donate their services in times of
national disaster, and especially those who volunteered in the days following
the 911 terrorist attacks was not forgotten at this years National Association
of Broadcasters Ham Radio Reception. The April 10th gathering was co-hosted by
Kenwood Communications and CQ Magazine. It was CQ publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA,
who took time to honor those hams who put their lives on hold, to be there when
needed:

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K2MGA: “I do want to take a moment to focus a little bit of attention on how
proud we have a right to be as Radio Amateurs. I think we saw that on
September 11th, when thousands upon thousands of hams throughout the United
States jumped in their cars -- or -- in the New York are -- hopped onto the
subways -- with back packs filled with radio equipment and did whatever they
could. They are still doing ‘whatever they can,’ and that is really what
Amateur Radio is all about.”
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Ross comments were enthusiastically received. CQ was represented at the
gathering by Ross and Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU. Also making presentations
were Kenwood’s Paul Middelton K4NUH and ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP.
600 to 800 radio amateurs who attended the NAB convention also usually show up
at the Ham Radio Reception.

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SPECTRUM ISSUES: SENATOR TO ASK FOR COMPLETE SPECTRUM REVIEW

A U-S Senator says that its time to overhaul the method by which the United
States manages the entire electromagnetic spectrum. Montana Senator Conrad
Burns, said on Monday, April 15th that he plans to introduce such legislation.
Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the details:

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Senator Conrad Burns says that he expects a two to three year battle over the legislation he plans to introduce this congressional season. But Burns also told a packed audience at the recent National Association of Broadcasters Convention in Las Vegas that he is going to put together a total spectrum reform bill because he does not think that Congress should be piecemealing how it makes spectrum available.

Senator Burns told the NAB audience that he predicts an intense battle over the legislation affecting multiple constituencies. He noted that many frequency bands are used by government agencies like the Department of Defense Department. Burns said that he is still awaiting a report from the General Accounting Office which is reviewing a large number of spectrum issues and related government practices.

And what does this mean to ham radio? In the short term probably very little. In the long run it could affect our future survival.

Depending on the scope of the Burns legislation and how much of it -- if any -- is ever enacted by Congress, the future use of all spectrum could well come under a bureaucratic microscope. Those services that legislators do not feel justify spectrum could -- eventually -- loose it.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP

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Earlier plans to move some government operations to other spectrum now have little support in the wake of the September 11th terrorist attacks. Meantime, numerous telecommunications companies are pressuring the government to make large portions of spectrum available quickly, to introduce new consumer wireless services. (Published reports)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW FRENCH HAMSATS COMING

AMSAT has announced that two new French Amateur Radio mini satellites or picosats are planned for launch on May 3rd. This, as secondary payloads with the SPOT-5 satellite.

The two hamsats are being funded, designed and built by AMSAT-France. They are battery powered and should operate from orbit about 40 days. Both will transmit recorded voice messages using Narrow Band FM along with digital telemetry. Data will be transmitted at 400 baud BPSK. Downlink frequencies are listed as 145.84 MHz and 435.27 MHz.

An Ariane 4 booster will carry the satellites to orbit but the ham radio birds will not be free floating. Rather they will remain fastened to the Ariane’s third stage at a panned altitude of about 800 kilometers. Both of these new birds will switched on about ten days after the launch. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT-NA TO RE-EVALUATE THE FUTURE

Meantime, AMSAT North America President Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, has called a special Board of Directors meeting for April 20th. This, to review the current fiscal situation and to decide on a proper course of action for upcoming ham radio space projects.

In a published column earlier this year, Haighton had commented that financial support coming to AMSAT for the Eagle satellite and other projects have been reduced as a result 911. Haighton now says that this continues to be the case.

Haighton does say that the design of another satellite called Echo is progressing and he should have more information to make public next month. The AMSAT North America president adds that the organizations forum at the upcoming Dayton Hamvention will offer a closer look at several proposed satellite projects. (ANS)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N-4-G-G-D Repeater serving Greensboro North Carolina.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT NEEDED: WORLDWIDE QRM TO 40 METERS

The March issue of the Monitoring System Newsletter talked about a rogue broadcast from Eritrea on 7.100 Mhz. A transmission that continues to be heard well in eastern North America.

According to the IARU, this broadcast can at times also be heard around the world. Also, the report says that its lower sideband can dominate the top few kilohertz of the 7.000 to 7.100 MHz Amateur band. (ANS)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ARRESTS NYC UNLICENSED BROADCASTER

An unlicensed broadcaster has been arrested for refusing to shut down operations. Paul Dorleans was taken into federal custody on April 15th for operating an unlicensed FM radio station on 87.9 MHz in Brooklyn New York.

The FCC says that earlier enforcement actions had failed to discourage Dorleans’ unlicensed operation of the FM Station. The FCC, on more than one occasion, had issued notices to Dorleans directing him to cease operation. And the U.S. Marshal’s Service, in conjunction with the United States Attorney’s Office and the FCC, had seized his radio equipment on one previous occasion.

The United States Marshals Service arrested Dorleans working in conjunction with FCC Agents and the Office of the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York. So far this year, investigation of unlicensed broadcast operation by the FCC’s Enforcement Bureau has resulted in the shutdown of

over 20 unlicensed stations. Dorleans faces the possibility of a heavy fine and a prison sentence if convicted. (FCC Release)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC TO UTILITIES - DON'T INTERFERE WITH HAMS

The FCC has issued letters to five power utility companies to request that they contact and work with Amateur Radio operators in the area to resolve power line interference problems. According to FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth the utility companies are:

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Hollingsworth: "Anderson Indiana City Utility, the Dominion Power Company in Richmond Virginia, Northeast Utilities in Berlin Connecticut, Southern California Edison in Rosemont California and the Soccoro Electric Co-Op in Soccoro New Mexico."
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Hollingsworth says that the companies were instructed to report back in 90 days to outline the progress made in clearing these interference complaints. (FCC, RAIN)

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SPECIAL COMMS: RADIO SOLO NOW ON THE GROUND

The United States military broadcasts to Afghanistan are still being widely heard on 8.700 Mhz, but are now land based. The broadcasts are being produced by the same unit that produced the Commando Solo airborne transmissions during the early stages of the war on terrorism. (Media Network)

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NET INFO: BAJA NET MOVES

WB0YCQ reports that the Baja Maritime Mobile Net which meets 7 days a week at 8:00 am Pacific Daylight savings time has moved to 7.262 MHz plus or minus a few kilohertz. This is due to interference on the original net frequency. (WB0YCQ)

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CONVENTIONS & HAMFESTS: SEVHFS IN LATE APRIL

The Sixth Annual Southeastern VHF Society Conference is slated for April 26th and 27th in Oak Ridge Tennessee. Program highlights include, antenna gain measurements, pre-amp gain and noise figure measurements, a Friday evening flea market with vendor displays, a Friday evening tour of nearby Ten Tec, and Saturday evening banquet with guest speaker Joe Dooley, P.E. of Oak Ridge National Laboratory. For more information contact Greg Robinson KB4NVD by e-mail to Rover@wireco.net (SEVHFS via VHF Reflector)

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CONVENTIONS AND HAMFESTS: MT. BEACON HAMFEST POSTPONED

The Mt. Beacon New York Hamfest, scheduled for Sunday April 21st has been postponed. Planners say they are looking to reschedule. Stay tuned to Amateur Radio Newsline for an announcement of the new date. (KL7JCQ, WA2BSS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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THE SUPPORT FUND REPORT WITH ANDY JAREMA N6TCQ

Ladies and gentlemen, with some words regarding Amateur Radio Newsline's current fiscal situation, here is Support Fund Administrator Andy Jarema, N6TCQ:

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That's right. Its me. A.J.. And when you hear my voice you know I am here for one of two reasons. One is the bad – as in – help we need your financial support. The other is to say thanks to those of you who have kicked in to keep amateur Radio Newsline coming your way.

This week it's the bad. The numbers for the first three months of 2002 are in and its not good news. Right now we have about $145 in the bank and close to a thousand dollars in back bills sitting on my desk. And the people we owe money to like the phone company and our Internet providers want to be paid.

The bottom line is that this is once again a financial emergency. Only you can keep these weekly newscasts coming your way. We need your help, and we need it right now.

And remember. Amateur Radio Newsline Newsline is a federal 501c 3 corporation and a California certified non-profit corporation. This means that all contributions are tax-deductible.

The address for the Newsline Support fund is PO Box 660937, Arcadia, CA 91066.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund, I'm Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.

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Again that's the Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund, P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia California 91066. (ARNewsline™ Support Fund)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: JERRY ROSS SETS SPACEWALK RECORD

United States Astronaut Jerry Ross, N-5-S-C-W has set a personal best . On Tuesday April 16th Ross made his 9th spacewalk on the latest of his seven

orbital flights. In doing this, the 54 year old retired Air Force Colonel set the record for the greatest number of flights and spacewalks ever by an Astronaut or Cosmonaut.

Prior to his current flight, N5SCW had logged 1133 hours in space.
Ross is flying for the seventh time and may not get an eighth turn. This is because of other astronauts in line for flights. (Published reports)

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INTERNATIONAL-RUSSIA: SPACE TOURIST READY TO FLY

The world's second would-be space tourist is almost ready for takeoff. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, has the details:

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Russian space officials say that Internet industrialist Mark Shuttleworth has completed most of his training and is ready to visit the International Space Station.

Shuttleworth is a 28-year-old South African economist who made his fortune with an Internet business. He said he would conduct gene engineering studies while on the space station using animal stem cells. He said he hoped his research could be used to help find cures for Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease.

Liftoff of has been set for April 25th from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan. Shuttleworth confirmed that he is paying $20 million for the trip but in installments that will be complete only when the mission is over. That's the same sum American Dennis Tito, KG6FZX, paid Russian space agencies last year to fly to the international station, becoming the world's first space tourist.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Jeramy Boot, G4NJH

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Its not yet known if Shuttleworth will be licensed to operate the ham radio gear on board the I-S-S. (Space Adventures, published reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - NEW ZEALAND: POWER COMMS STANDARDS TO BE SET

Powerline telecommunications and its potential as a source of interference will be a major topic to be discussed in New Zealand. This, from September 16th to the 30th. The gathering is slated for the city of Christchurch where a newly established committees, is working to create common standards for information technology equipment and radio and television products. According to NZART, this should prove beneficial to that nations radio amateurs. (NZART)

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INTERNATIONAL – ZIMBABWE: BBC SUSPENDED FROM CAB

The Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation has been suspended from the Commonwealth Broadcasting Association for a year. This, as the print Media in Zimbabwe is becoming increasingly outspoken about the Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation and its political role in that nation. More information is on the web at http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/zimbabwe-latest.html. (Media Network)

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DX

In D-X, The VK9ML DXpedition to Mellish Reef should be on the air as this newscast goes to air. The multi-national team will be on the air through the 22nd of April. (GB2RS)

Also, GB2RS reports that another major multi-operator DXpedition will be active as XW1HS from Laos. The operators, all resident in Thailand, include American, British, Swedish and Spanish operators, as well as 11 Thai nationals. (GB2RS)

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THAT FINAL ITEM - HAM RADIO IN THE MOVIES: IMAX ISS MOVIE PREMIERES

And finally this week, ham radio is not only at a film premiere. It is actually an important part of the movie. This as the new 3-D motion picture about the International Space Station gets to the giant screen in a press preview on April 16th. Amateur Radio Newslines Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has more:

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The movie we are talking about is the new IMAX film called Space Station. Amateur Radio on the International Space Station is a part of it. According to ARISS Program Manager Frank Bauer, KA3HDO, the film simply breathtaking:

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KA3HDO: “It was the closest way that an individual could experience space without going to it themselves. It was spectacular from the persoective that you really felt like you were there. hat you were part of the team that was making Space Station happen.

It just was phenominal. Breathtaking views of the Earth, of Space Station and inside the cabin of the space station.”
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Bauer says that it was pretty awesome to see Astronaut Bill Shepherd talk to the Texas students with using ham radio equipment. Also, ARISS appears in the movie’s credits.

According to Bauer, there were 21 members of the ARISS volunteer team attending and supporting the sneak preview. Visitors included Astronauts Bill Shepherd and Yuri Usachev. Also attending were the film’s producer Toni Meyers and National Air and Space Museum Curator Jack Dailey. The comments were all glowing and Bauer says that this is a must see movie.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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Consult local listings to find out when Space Station will be shown at an IMAX or OMNIMAX theater near you. (KA3HDO, ARNewsline™)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm).

Before we go, a reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year award is now open. No significant changes from last year. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules, an application and information on contacting us is on our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Mert Garlick, N6AWE, 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

693. Ham Radio and Four Wheeling

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-21 13:16:59 UTC
From: Lee Murrah <lee@murrah.comNOSPAM>
Message-ID: <3cc2b87b$1_4@news.nntpserver.com>
Source record: 4428

I have set up a message board called "Hams on Four Wheels" for four wheelers who are amateur radio operators and others who are interested in using amateur radio for four wheeling. The address is http://pub30.ezboard.com/bhamsonfourwheels. Please stop by for a visit.

73,
WD5CID

694. ICOM 706 Scan Help?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-21 23:48:51 UTC
From: rljames <rljames@netacc.net>
Message-ID: <3cc3515e$1@news.netacc.net>
Source record: 4429

Can someone offer help on how to use the 706 scan edge feature? I can program the scan edge frequencies into the memories (1A & 1B, 2A & 2B, 3A & 3B) OK but can't seem to get the radio to scan between a particular pair.

Thanx,
Bob

695. Re: ICOM 706 Scan Help?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 00:21:29 UTC
From: dickhinoh@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020421202129.20505.00005508@mb-ma.aol.com>
Source record: 4430

Select the group (A, B, or C) you want to scan. Switch to VFO mode. In S2 hit SCN. To select the scan step, hold TS 2 seconds and set prior to scanning.
Dick K8RVH

>Can someone offer help on how to use the 706 scan edge feature? I can
>program the scan edge frequencies into the memories (1A & 1B, 2A & 2B, 3A &
>3B) OK but can't seem to get the radio to scan between a particular pair.
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>Thanx,
>Bob

696. WTB Motorola Spectratac DPL card TRN6082A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 03:47:30 UTC
From: jimber@uic.edu
Message-ID: <e570bb18.0204211947.5ae54cdf@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4431

If you have one of these dinosaurs gathering dust please email. Tnx jim K9ZAT

697. Convert GE MPD Radios to work on two meters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 04:49:06 UTC
From: Jay Tuttle <tuttlej3@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <6DMw8.28211$CH.4933@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4432

I need advice and software to program GE MPD radios to work on two meters.
Thank you
Jay Tuttle
AC7RQ
tuttlej2@attbi.com

698. Re: ICOM 706 Scan Help?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 11:37:48 UTC
From: rljames@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <694cac21.0204220337.1f9821f1@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4433

dickhinoh@aol.com (DickHinOH) wrote in message
news:<20020421202129.20505.00005508@mb-ma.aol.com>...
> Select the group (A, B, or C) you want to scan.
> Dick K8RVH

Maybe this is the part I'm "missing"... For instance, how do I select
the 2A & 2B pair?

Thanx for the help.
Bob

699. 38 Special qrp rigs for sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 14:39:33 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020422103933.28273.00005194@mb-ms.aol.com>
Source record: 4434

I have 2 / 38 Special cw qrp transceivers for sale. One is complete in a case with all controls but has a problem. Im sure its an easy fix ie I think there is a bad cheap IC gone. It has the 5 watt mod too. The second unit is new , built nice on the circuit board. It would need a small case and a few pots and jacks. Have manual. Sell both for $55 shipped. Too many projects here -hi! 73s Lew KlNDV

700. Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, Tennesee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 14:45:07 UTC
From: Norm & Debbie <nwpars@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <TIVw8.30907$CH.5462@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4435

Are there any Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, TN or any store that sells Amateur Radio Equipment?

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Norm Parsley

701. Re: ICOM 706 Scan Help?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 15:53:34 UTC
From: dickhinoh@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020422115334.12046.00004793@mb-fl.aol.com>
Source record: 4436

M-CH knob. Same knob you used to set the high and low freq. of the range.

Dick K8RVH

>Maybe this is the part I'm "missing"... For instance, how do I select
>the 2A & 2B pair?
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>Thanx for the help.
>Bob
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702. Re: ICOM 706 Scan Help?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 17:57:04 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204220957.34e4c29f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4437

rljames@hotmail.com (rljames) wrote in message
news:<694cac21.0204220337.1f9821f1@posting.google.com>...
> dickhinoh@aol.com (DickHinOH) wrote in message
news:<20020421202129.20505.00005508@mb-ma.aol.com>...
> > Select the group (A, B, or C) you want to scan.
> > Dick K8RVH
>
> Maybe this is the part I'm "missing"... For instance, how do I select
> the 2A & 2B pair?
>
> Thanx for the help.
> Bob

The "a" and "b" pairs just set the edge freq's. The vfo sets the band
you want to scan. Say you have "2a" as 410 mhz and "2b" as 470 mhz. Go
to either VFO and set a freq in the middle of the "pair" you want to
scan. IE: set the VFO as 450 mhz. Then while you are in the VFO , go
to the scan menu and just hit scan. It will then scan between the
edges. You could have the other VFO set to scan the other "pair" of
edge freq's. MK

703. WB8WHQ Silent Key

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 18:37:21 UTC
From: WDX8IAH <macadinospam@qn.net>
Message-ID: <3cc45847$1@news.qn.net>
Source record: 4445

Ernie Young, WB8WHQ, of London, Ohio passed away in Riverside Hospital in Columbus, Ohio today. He was a long-time member of the
Madison County Amateur Radio Club, ARES, and a control operator for the 147.285 MARC Repeater.
The Voice of Oak Street is now silent. He will be missed.

M.C. "Mac" McCarty, N8EYE

704. Re: Backcountry Hiking and 6m HT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-22 20:05:58 UTC
From: kinerm125@cs.com
Message-ID: <3e64731f.0204221205.7035ac7e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4438

Yes you're absolutely right. My area of Pennsylvania is MUCH flatter
than anywhere in the Cascades. But then he may not have a clear shot
at a 2 meter repeater either. I'm not sure which band would be more
helpful when the path to the machine is obstructed. Regardless, the
odds of finding an available repeater and/or a ham on simplex should
be higher on 2 than on 6.

Matt n3soz

kf6vyh@aol.com (Kf6vyh) wrote in message
news:<20020420112633.13715.00004976@mb-da.aol.com>...
> >I can hit my local repeater
> >with it (about 15-20 miles).
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> You must have a clear shoot at the repeater. In the Washington cascades, I
> doubt there is a clear shoot.

705. Re: Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, Tennesee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-23 02:53:50 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3CC4CCBD.1B911E4A@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4439

hey norm
check your local radio shack they surprisinly carry a wide range of ham stuff
just check out there website there is over 150 items
if nothing else there is always mail order from AES HRO or texastowers
texas towers is a good company to deal with they have good prices and good
customer service

Norm & Debbie wrote:

> Are there any Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, TN or any store that sells
> Amateur Radio Equipment?
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> --
> Norm Parsley

706. Re: ICOM 706 Scan Help?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-23 05:26:37 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0204222126.62d02784@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4440

nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote in message Go
> to either VFO and set a freq in the middle of the "pair" you want to
> scan. IE: set the VFO as 450 mhz. Then while you are in the VFO , go
> to the scan menu and just hit scan. It will then scan between the
> edges. You could have the other VFO set to scan the other "pair" of
> edge freq's.

I checked it on mine, and you don't have to be in the middle of the
two A-B freq's in the VFO, but doing that will make sure it scans the
set that you want. I found it will jump to the nearest of the 3 A-B
sets and scan no matter what band the vfo is on. So setting the vfo to
the band you want to scan will ensure that it scans that band and not
jump to another set. MK

707. Re: Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, Tennesee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-23 17:51:08 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <gahx8.585$ab.105332@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4441

MEMPHIS AMATEUR ELECTRONICS, INC.
http://www.mem-amateur.com/

More nation wide ham stores
http://ac6v.com/stores.htm#HAMSTORES

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73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!

AC6V Mega Ham Index at http://ac6v.com
AC6V Book For DXers at http://ac6v.com/DXSAMPLE.htm
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> Norm & Debbie wrote:
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> > Are there any Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, TN or any store that
sells
> > Amateur Radio Equipment?
> >
> > --
> > Norm Parsley
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708. Re: Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, Tennesee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-23 19:11:40 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020423151140.25310.00005415@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4442

>MEMPHIS AMATEUR ELECTRONICS, INC.
>http://www.mem-amateur.com/
>
>More nation wide ham stores
>http://ac6v.com/stores.htm#HAMSTORES

I would assume by their name that Memphis Amateur Electronics is in Memphis - quite a distance from Nashville...

To the original poster, no, there are no ham radio stores in Nashville. There's a truck stop up on the interstate going north out of Nashville, right at the border of TN/KY that sells illegal CB amps though.. :)

709. Kenwood TS-820s for sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-23 22:59:43 UTC
From: kc4art@juno.com
Message-ID: <46ff51f8.0204231459.79f674bc@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4443

I have for sale a Kenwoood TS-820s for sale. Transmitter works well,
but the reciever is deaf. $250 OBO. Email me for information
kc4art@juno.com

Lee Ratcliff

710. Help with APRS on Fujitsu Stypiltic 500

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-24 00:19:36 UTC
From: Don <dvanhorn@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <sSmx8.3340$5J6.434430@bin2.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4444

I am trying to put APRS software on the pen top. Will the pen run windows 95
? Which version of the APRS software will run on it with Windows for
Computing Ver 1.0 dvanhorn@comcast.net

711. Re: ICOM 706 Scan Help?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-24 11:07:32 UTC
From: rljames@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <694cac21.0204240307.363f4e1d@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4446

nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote in message
news:<25eb70d7.0204222126.62d02784@posting.google.com>...
> nm5k@wt.net (Mark Keith) wrote in message Go
> > to either VFO and set a freq in the middle of the "pair" you want to
> > scan. IE: set the VFO as 450 mhz. Then while you are in the VFO , go
> > to the scan menu and just hit scan. It will then scan between the
> > edges. You could have the other VFO set to scan the other "pair" of
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> two A-B freq's in the VFO, but doing that will make sure it scans the
> set that you want. I found it will jump to the nearest of the 3 A-B
> sets and scan no matter what band the vfo is on. So setting the vfo to
> the band you want to scan will ensure that it scans that band and not
> jump to another set. MK

Thanx Mark...

Your procedure appears to work with my scan edges but doesn't seem
very logical or easy. Must be a better way? (BTW, please correct me if
I'm wrong but I don't *think* this was detailed in the User Manual?)

Also, what if I want my 3A/B pair as a narrow subset of 2A/B? For
instance, I sometimes might like to scan all of 430 to 450 Mhz (setup
in 2A/B pair) but also have occasion to only need quick scanning
within 440 to 445 (3A/B pair).

Thanx again,
Bob

712. Re: Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, Tennesee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-24 16:15:35 UTC
From: n4bk@hiwaay.net
Message-ID: <3CC6DA27.9FC9A94F@hiwaay.net>
Source record: 4447

VHFRadioBuff wrote:

> >MEMPHIS AMATEUR ELECTRONICS, INC.
> >http://www.mem-amateur.com/
> >
> >More nation wide ham stores
> >http://ac6v.com/stores.htm#HAMSTORES
>
> I would assume by their name that Memphis Amateur Electronics is in Memphis -
> quite a distance from Nashville...
>
> To the original poster, no, there are no ham radio stores in Nashville. There's
> a truck stop up on the interstate going north out of Nashville, right at the
> border of TN/KY that sells illegal CB amps though.. :)

Your nearest probably is Gigaparts in Huntsville, Alabama. They are also on the internet and if shipped out of state then there is no Alabama Tax on your purchase. Bob N4BK ex - RT Systems Technician!

713. Re: Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, Tennesee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-24 16:20:41 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020424122041.10490.00004814@mb-ml.aol.com>
Source record: 4448

>Your nearest probably is Gigaparts in Huntsville, Alabama. They are also on
>the
>internet and if shipped out of state then there is no Alabama Tax on your
>purchase. Bob N4BK ex - RT Systems Technician!

Ah, but you forget - MFJ is located in TN and I think it's closer than
Huntsville.. but I have a feeling that the original poster only wanted to know
if there were any ham stores in Nashville. I spent 9 months in Clarskville,
north of Nashville and I am pretty certian I would have heard about a ham store
in Nashville if there were one...
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

714. Re: Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, TN

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-24 16:37:59 UTC
From: derswede@aol.comspam.com
Message-ID: <20020424123759.21858.00009002@mb-ch.aol.com>
Source record: 4350

>Ah, but you forget - MFJ is located in TN and I think it's >closer than
>Huntsville.. but I have a feeling that the original poster only >wanted to
know
>if there were any ham stores in Nashville.

Andy, I'm sure that the guys in Starksville, MS would be surprised that they
now live it TN!! Think you were thinking of TenTec, which is in Sevierville,
TN (near Knoxville). CT Morgan is in Chattanooga...don't know about Nashville,
tho.

Andrew KG4GSC

715. Re: Amateur Radio Stores in Nashville, Tennesee

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-24 16:38:13 UTC
From: n4bk@hiwaay.net
Message-ID: <3CC6DF75.3338E71C@hiwaay.net>
Source record: 4449

VHFRadioBuff wrote:

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> >the
> >internet and if shipped out of state then there is no Alabama Tax on your
> >purchase. Bob N4BK ex - RT Systems Technician!
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> if there were any ham stores in Nashville. I spent 9 months in Clarskville,
> north of Nashville and I am pretty certian I would have heard about a ham store
> in Nashville if there were one...
> =-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
> http://edfas.tripod.com

Hey Andy ya goofed! Ten-Tec is in TN, MFJ is at the end of the road in good old Starkville, Mississippi. Been to see Martin and company many times. Bob

716. Novice has restructuing question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-25 01:14:04 UTC
From: JS <sman1@stny.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3CC7858E.83DCE7F4@stny.rr.com>
Source record: 4351

Hi.

I'm wondering what the status of my license is. I have been inactive > 6 years and want to get back into things. were there any exceptions for current novices in the restucturing plan ?

Thanks
Joe Simon
WB2JQT

717. FS: 3 Bearcat IV scanners!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-25 13:58:17 UTC
From: moody1951@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020425095817.28399.00003718@mb-fu.aol.com>
Source record: 4352

These scanners are in real good shape. Original bought them because they reminded me of the early days of scanners. Good working condition for all three. Nice shape cosmetically. Would like $40 for each or $75 plus shipping for all three.

Reggie
N5NJR

718. FS: National NC-125 shortwave receiver!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-25 14:01:40 UTC
From: moody1951@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020425100140.28399.00003723@mb-fu.aol.com>
Source record: 4353

Out of work and need to sell this National NC-125 shortwave receiver. Works very well, in very good cosmetic shape, and mechanically sound. Would like $125 plus shipping.

Reggie
N5NJR

719. FS: Full servicing manual for Yaesu FRG-7700 receiver!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-25 14:05:56 UTC
From: moody1951@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020425100556.28399.00003728@mb-fu.aol.com>
Source record: 4354

I have a full servicing and operating manual for the Yaesu FRG-7700 shortwave receiver. Manual is in near perfect shape and loaded with schematics and servcing info. Would like $25.00 plus shipping.

Reggie

720. Re: Novice has restructuing question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-25 15:38:47 UTC
From: kf6vyh@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020425113847.15252.00005173@mb-fy.aol.com>
Source record: 4355

Nothing has changed for the Novice class, It can be renewed when need be. What you might want to keep in mind is the the only code requirement is 5 WPM. If you take and pass the Tech. and General written you will me a general class operator.

721. Problem with Yaesu FT1000MP CAT interface

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-25 20:28:32 UTC
From: Ken Darmody <kdarmody@gofree.indigo.ie>
Message-ID: <LEZx8.10103$e5.64946@news.indigo.ie>
Source record: 4356

Hi,

Has anyone out there ever tried to program software to use the CAT interface on an FT-1000MP? I have been doing so, and have run into problems reading data back from the radio. Yaesu's "Cat System Computer Control" documents describes how to get 16 bytes of status information from the radio, containing band, frequency and mode data (and other data). The mode information comes back fine, but the 4 bytes designated for the frequency do not have the data as the document describes. My software can set the frequency using the cat interface without problems, it's just the data coming back that is wrong.

I have tested the radio against software downloaded from the net, and it reads the frequency fine. Has anyone any idea what I might be doing wrong? Is it possible that the spec might be wrong?

Thanks,

Trevor Darmody.

722. My Review on EHAM.COM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-25 21:01:53 UTC
From: k8cpa@arrl.net
Message-ID: <3cc86e75.13208317@news.mi.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4357

http://www.eham.net/reviews/review/12256

723. Re: Novice has restructuing question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-26 02:00:19 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3cc8b074.9812030@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4358

On Thu, 25 Apr 2002 01:14:04 GMT, JS <sman1@stny.rr.com> wrote:

>I'm wondering what the status of my license is. I have been inactive >
>6 years and want to get back into things. were there any exceptions for
>current novices in the restucturing plan ?
>
>Thanks
>Joe Simon
>WB2JQT
>
I looked you up on www.qrz.com, which has a callsign server.

Your license is still valid, expires: 27 Oct 2004.

You can renew as a Novice forever if you choose to. They are not
issuing any NEW Novice tickets since the restructuring.

As mentioned, you already have the 5 wpm code, so to upgrade you would
just need to pass the written tests (Tech to become a Tech Plus,
General, then Extra).

HTH,
Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

724. Re: Novice has restructuing question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-26 02:53:54 UTC
From: JS <sman1@stny.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3CC8EE91.5CA859AE@stny.rr.com>
Source record: 4359

"Gary S." wrote:

> On Thu, 25 Apr 2002 01:14:04 GMT, JS <sman1@stny.rr.com> wrote:
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> >I'm wondering what the status of my license is. I have been inactive >
> >6 years and want to get back into things. were there any exceptions for
> >current novices in the restucturing plan ?
> >
> >Thanks
> >Joe Simon
> >WB2JQT
> >
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> --
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> Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
> Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

Thanks Guys !

Joe

725. VEC teaching aids - HELP!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-27 01:42:12 UTC
From: Derek Sheehan <kd7fwv@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <Ulny8.28896$fg.2805599@bin2.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4360

I am looking for PowerPoint slides for a Technician class that coincide with the ARRL Instructors Manual. I have started making my own set, but I don't have enough time to finish. Anyone willing to help and send me a copy of theirs?

Thanks

Derek, W7REX
w7rex@arrl.net

726. Kenwood TS-2000 vs TS-870S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-27 12:49:02 UTC
From: Ku3o <gperk@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <27xy8.325584$K52.52401243@typhoon.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4361
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Folks,

I am trying to decide between a TS-2000 and TS-870S.
The 2000 seems to have more options/bands/bells/whistles,
but the 870 has the higher price tag? It appears there is more in
the 2000 so why is it so much less expensive than the
870? What feature set in the 870 demands the higher
price tag? I thought both rigs had similar DSP functionality
The 2000 appears to have many more bells/whistles...

Am I going to be sacrificing receiver performance
for bells/whistles if I go 2000...

Just trying to figure out the price difference...

Im seeing the 2000 for ~$1800 street and the 870
for ~$2300.

Thanks for your comments...
Ku3o

727. W9INN Antennas Page now ONLINE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-27 19:43:02 UTC
From: l566cx@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <41749911.0204271143.5edc0df7@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4362

The Official W9INN Antennas Page is located at....

http://www.ab7sl.com/index.html?row1col2=w9inn.html

1. contains actual measured field data
2. detailed illustration - 5-band resonant legal limit dipole
3. special " resonactors " page w/description by W9INN-Bill
4. antenna dimensions
5. contact and ordering information w/tel#

728. Kenwood Tm-2550a Help!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-28 12:54:38 UTC
From: Stephen Pike <spikey911usa@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <iiSy8.215031$GS6.20064699@bin3.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4363

I just bought this radio from someone who thought it was a C.B.
It appears to work fine, EXCEPT when you change frequencies and you key up
for the first time and then let off the key all you receive is static.
Turning the radio on and off will allow you to talk all day on that
frequency, but when you change frequencies it will happen all over again.
Although I am in need of a manual, I dont think its a programming issue.

Can anyone help figure this one out?
Thanks!
Steve

729. FS: Books on Radio Antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-28 13:09:49 UTC
From: oldbooks78@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020428090949.07218.00006419@mb-dd.aol.com>
Source record: 4364

I currently have the following books for sale on radio antennas. Postage is $2 for the first book and $1 for each additional item (within the US, at cost elsewhere). The books are:

Moxon, L.A. "HF Antennas for All Locations" published by the Radio Society of Great Britain, 1991. ISBN 0900612576 The 260 page softbound book is in very good condition, clean with no page tears or pen marks, and a strong binding. A thorough treatment of HF antennas. Available for $9.

Straw, R. Dean (editor) "The ARRL Antenna Compendium (Vol. 6)", Newington, CT, U.S.A.: American Radio Relay League, Incorporated, 1999. ISBN: 0872597431 The 200 page softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out. All new articles (43 of them) on antennas, transmission lines and propagation - projects to build and new approaches to explore. Includes a CD inside the rear cover with the source data for modeling many of the antennas. Available for $12.

Straw, R. Dean (editor) "The ARRL Antenna Compendium (Vol. 5)", Newington, CT, U.S.A.: American Radio Relay League, Incorporated, 1996. ISBN: 0872595625 The 200 page softbound book is in near fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out except for a square neatly cut from the lower corner of the blank rear end page (it may have been a coupon or order form). Includes a diskette inside the rear cover with the source data for modeling many of the antennas. Available for $9.

Straw, R. Dean (editor) "The ARRL Antenna Compendium (Vol. 4)", Newington, CT, U.S.A.: American Radio Relay League, Incorporated, 1995. ISBN: 0872594912 The 204 page softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out.Includes a diskette inside the rear cover with the source data for modeling the antennas. Available for $10.

Hall, Gerald L. (editor) "The ARRL Antenna Compendium (Vol. 3)", Newington, CT, U.S.A.: American Radio Relay League, Incorporated, 1992. ISBN: 0872594017 The 236 page softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out. Lots of useful information on radio antennas. Available for $9.

Hall, Gerald L. (editor) "ARRL Antenna Compendium (Vol. 2)", Newington, CT, U.S.A.: American Radio Relay League, Incorporated, 1989. ISBN: 0872592545 The 208 page softbound book is in very good condition, fresh and clean inside and out. Available for $9.

Hall, Gerald; Paul Rinaldo; Maureen Thompson (editors) "ARRL Antenna Compendium, Volume 1", Newington, CT, U.S.A.: American Radio Relay League, Incorporated, 1985. ISBN: 0872590194 The 175 page softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out. Available for $9.

Erwin, David G4LQ1 "HF Antenna Collection", Radio Society of Great Britain, 1994. ISBN 1872309089 The 233 page softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out. Available for $9.

Orr, William I. "The W6SAI HF Antenna Handbook", Hicksville, NY, U.S.A.: C Q Communications, Incorporated, 1996. ISBN: 0943016150 The magazine-sized softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out. Available for $9.

If interested in any of the above, please email to "Oldbooks78@aol.com" to reserve. Thanks.

Dave

730. ARNewsline 1289 - April 26 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-28 17:15:10 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020428131510.19436.00005473@mb-fw.aol.com>
Source record: 4365

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1289 - April 26 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1289 with a release date of
Friday, April 26th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Amateur radio aids in the aftermath of two rail accidents. This story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1289 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO ASSISTS AT CALIFORNIA TRAIN COLLISION SITE

Amateur radio played a pivotal role following two major rail accidents occurring within a few days of one another. On Tuesday April 23rd, a Southern California Metrolink commuter train headed to San Juan Capistrano collided with a mile long freight train that may have missed a stop signal and wandered onto the same track. 2 people on the commuter train were injured and over 260 injured. Local hospitals were swamped with casualties. Joe Moell, K0OV, has more:

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About four times a year, the hospitals and emergency responders in Orange County, California, hold large-scale drills to test the patient triage and transportation procedures that must be followed in the event of a mass casualty incident. The Hospital Disaster Support Communication System -- an ARES group with agreements to support all 35 hospitals in the county -- is always asked to participate. So it was on Tuesday, April 23 as two dozen HDSCS members awaited their assignments for a mock hazardous material incident, to be staged on a shopping street in Brea, California at 9 AM.

But it was not to be. At 8:10 AM, just 5-1/2 miles away in the city of Placentia, a 6000-ton mile-long freight train collided with a Metrolink double-decker commuter train. HDSCS hams were immediately assigned to the fourteen hospitals expected to receive patients. For the next 4-1/2 hours, a total of 28 hams provided vital links between these hospitals, the county's Central Point ambulance dispatch, and the county's Emergency Medical Service agency.

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[sound bite 1]
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Other traffic included verifying victim dispatch, locating victims, providing hospitals with information for inquiring victim families, and liaison with hams supporting the Red Cross. Within some hospitals, hams provided direct

communications between triage areas, Emergency Departments, and Command Posts. Dennis Kidder WA6NIA tells how important this was at one facility:

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[sound bite 2]
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This was the 75th actual hospital communications emergency in the 21-year history of HDSCS. From Orange County California, this is Joe Moell K-zero-Oscar-Victor for Amateur Radio Newsline.

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More on this in a future Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARNewsline™)

(Note: For more information about this organization and about effective ham radio support for hospitals, go to www.hdscs.org.)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO ASSISTS AT FLORIDA DERAILMENT

Ham radio also helped provided coordination of emergency services following a train wreck near Crescent City Florida on Thursday April 18th. The accident happened at about 5:15 P-M Eastern time. Billy Williams, N4UF reports from Jacksonville:

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The accident killed four passengers and injured 159 other passengers. It happened after the engineer of an ill-fated Amtrak train saw damaged track and hit the emergency brakes.

Rescue workers say 21 of the train's 40 cars including 14 of the 16 passenger cars derailed. Seven flipped on their sides, lying along the mangled track in a zig-zag pattern. Some passengers escaped through windows, while dozens of were trapped inside for hours.

Soon after the accident Bill Krueger, KF4EJD, was on the scene and at the wreck site relaying information to hams associated with ARES. Other hams soon had portable stations operational at the Putnam County Emergency Operations Center and the Crescent City High School shelter. A secondary shelter at Middleton-Burney Elementary School was established to assist in moving the passengers.

At the peak of activity, about 400 people were sheltered at Crescent City High School where a triage center had been set up. Also, a group from the Northeast Florida Chapter American Red Cross headquartered in Jacksonville was sent to the scene. This included several Jacksonville ham radio operators and a Red Cross Emergency Response vehicle.

Two hospitals in Jacksonville were staffed by Duval ARES operators to provide status reports to medical volunteers who were ready to head to the site if needed. Their help was not required and the hospital ham stations were secured at 10 PM Eastern time..

Meantime., the Florida Crown Emergency Net was in operation on the W4IZ Repeater System which was linked to the KF4PXZ system in Palatka. The net was in session from 5:30 to after 11PM.

There were many hams who volunteered in this emergency. Far to many to list here. And they once again proved that ham radio was willing and able to help when called on.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Billy Williams, N4UF, in Jacksonville Florida.

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According to news reports, many of the train's 418 passengers were senior citizens traveling between northern homes and winter retreats. (N4UF, ARNewsline™)

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REALLOCATION: FCC PUTS ARRL NOVICE BAND PROPOSAL TO PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments are due to the FCC by May 16 on An ARRL petition that would eliminate the 80, 40 and 15-meter Novice and Technician Plus CW subbands. The information is from an ARRL Bulletin. Amateur Radio Newsline's Paul Courson WA3VJB, reports from the nations capital:

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Designated RM-10413, the notice is aimed at reusing the current Novice spectrum in part to expand the 80 and 40 meter phone subbands. The ARRL's petition was filed in March asks the FCC to eliminate the Novice and Technician Plus Morse only subbands and divvy them up alleviate what the ARRL sees as overcrowding elsewhere.

If the FCC goes along, the current Novice and Technician Plus would be permitted to operate on the 80, 40, 15 and 10-meter General-class CW allocations at up to 200 Watts output. For General and higher class operators, the ARRL plan would implement changes in the 80, 40 and 15-meter phone bands, expanding phone segments for many amateurs.

But the ARRL petition goes well beyond just refarming the Novice bands. The League also seeks FCC permission to use spread spectrum on 222 to 225 MHz. It also proposes to expand the pool of special event call signs beyond the 1 by 1 format to include identifiers for United States territories that do not provide for mailing addresses. The ARRL also wants to incorporate into the rules a 1990 FCC waiver authorizing amateurs in specific areas of Colorado and Wyoming to operate on certain segments of the 33-cm band. Lastly, the petition asks that the government clarify rules to indicate that modulated CW is permitted for repeater station identification.

May 16th is the designated commentary cutoff date on RM-10413, and the FCC is expecting a lot of response on this one.

Paul Courson, WA3VJB, Washington.

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And we at Amateur Radio Newsline want to know your position on the reallocation of the current Novice subbands? Do you like the ARRL proposal? Do you have what you consider a better one? Should the subbands even be re-farmed? We would like to hear from you. Please send us a short e-mail with your opinion and we will put some of them on the air in future newscasts. The electronic address is news;ine@arnewsline.org. (ARRL, ARNewsline™)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K6LY repeater serving Monterey California.

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RADIO RULES: HAM PETITIONS FOR MANDATORY FIELD REPAIRABLE RIGS

How would you like to be able to take the cover off your radio and replace a plug-in highly complex integrated circuit, put the cover back on and have the radio work again. Kind of the way it was when tubes rather than solid state ruled ham radio. Well, that is what Nickolaus Leggett, N3NL, says hams should be able to do and he is asking the FCC to provide the rules to make it so. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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Nikolaus Leggett filed his request to the FCC in February. After reviewing it, the Commission has assigned it as RM-10412 and has set May 16th as a commentary cutoff date.

What Leggett suggests is not really new. He believes that Amateur Radio operators should have a fighting chance to keep their own gear operational. He acknowledges that today's high tech equipment may not be component level serviceable, but he as asking the FCC to make mandatory certain key aspects of design so that a ham with a general knowledge of troubleshooting techniques might get a broken radio back in operation. Especially in time of a declared emergency.

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Leggett: "What I proposed is that the Commission establish some sort of standards that would essentially establish that equipment be field repairable in some manner. Either it should have replaceable modules or replaceable circuit boards or parts on a circuit board should be spaced at a certain distance so that you can access them. There should be LED indicators on digital busses. There should be test points to take voltage and current measurements. In other words the equipment should be accessible for the Amateur to repair or modify it."
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Leggett acknowledges that should the FCC adopt his recommendations it will probably lead some makers of ham gear to drop out of the United States Amateur Radio marketplace:

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Legget: “My response on that is to look at the QRP field. There is a very nice Single Sideband QRP transceiver kit, which costs about $700. It is fully field repairable. It is advertised allot in QST Magazine, and this indicates that there certainly are vendors in the marketplace who can come out with a nice piece of equipment; highly regarded; very well reviewed; and at a reasonable price that is field repairable.”
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For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW in Los Angeles.

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You can hear lots more with Nickolaus Leggett on this weeks RAIN report. Take your web browser to www.rainreport.com or call area code 847-827-7246. Meantime, the manufacturers who supply ham gear are expected to file in opposition to the Leggett rule making request. (ARNewsline™, RAIN)

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SPECTRUM USE: FCC ON AMTS AND DENIALS TO HAMS

The FCC has approved proposed rules allowing geographic based licensing of coast stations in the Automated Maritime Telecommunications Service, the primary user of the 219-220 MHz band. According to the ARRL Letter, the Commission also agreed to consider an ARRL petition for changes in the rules governing the secondary amateur allocation at 219-220 MHz.

Amateur use of the band within 80 kilometers of an the Automated Maritime Telecommunications Service or AMTS coast station is currently requires permission from the AMTS licensee. Industry practice has been to routinely deny such requests, regardless of channel separation.

Now, the FCC will consider whether AMTS licensees denying permission should be required to give a technical justification for the denial. This, in conjunction with the ongoing 3-G proceeding that's considering use of 216-220 MHz for new technologies. (ARRL)

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SPECTRUM REALLOCATION: CONGRESS PROPOSES DELAY IN UHF CHANNEL AUCTION

Congressional lawmakers say that they plan to introduce legislation to delay indefinitely the Federal Communications Commission's June sale spectrum currently used by television broadcasters to wireless carriers. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, Takes a closer look at what is about to transpire:

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The proposed legislation is being sponsored by House Energy and Commerce Chairman Billy Tauzin and ranking Democrat Representative John Dingell. The current law requires the FCC to auction the spectrum used channels television channels 52 through 59 by September 30th of this year. But if Congress says O-K, the measure will eliminate the legal deadline in September for an auction be conducted. It will also tell the agency not to go forward with the sale

slated for June 19th.

The anticipated congressional action is intended to give more breathing room for broadcasters to move off their current analog television channels. It would also give mobile telephone carriers more certainty about a date when they would obtain this spectrum so that they make available a number of new services.

So far, no one has gone to court to force the FCC to hold the sale.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP.

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More on this story in future amateur Radio Newsline reports. (Published news reports)

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RADIO RULES: COURT SAYS OWNERSHIP CAPS ARBITRARY AND CAPRICIOUS

Another blow to those who support a cap on the number of media outlets any one company can own. This, as a federal appeals court rules in favor of easing an FCC regulation that bars a broadcaster from owning two TV stations -- known as a duoploly -- in a single market. That is, unless there are eight other broadcast TV stations in that same market.

The court held that the Federal Communications Commission was arbitrary and capricious in excluding cable companies and other media outlets from the eight outlet standard. The ruling also admonished the FCC for failing to back up its argument that diversity and localism are protected by broadcast stations alone.

The court stopped short of declaring the duopoly rule unconstitutional and throwing it out altogether. Rather it directed the FCC to rethink that part of the rule dictating what constitutes a broadcast voice in any given market. (Published news reports)

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RADIO LAW FOLLOW-UP: TOWERS VS. BIRDS

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service believes that communications towers are estimated to kill 4 to 5 million birds each year. And the service says that these kills violate the spirit and the intent of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

Now, a new organization called the National Antenna Consortium has been formed. Its purpose is to help communications companies deal with bird kills and other vexing issues associated with tower construction.

The CGC Communicator reports the group held a meeting at the recent National Association of Broadcasters meeting in Las Vegas. Speakers included Andrew Skotdal of KRKO Radio and attorneys Barry Umansky and Fred Hopengarten, K1VR. More information is on the web at migratorybirds.fws.gov (CGC Communicator)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KB0G SPEARHEADING LINUX

A alternative computer operating system now has a ham helping to develop it. Nate Dueher, WY0X, reports:

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One of the worlds largest Linux organizations now has a ham radio operator as its leader. Bdale Garbee, KB0G, of Blackforrest Colorado, has been elected as the 2002 Project Leader for Debian Linux. Bdale, who is known by many hams for his excellent work on many Amateur Radio projects including the RUDAK system on board AO-40 has also been on the software development team for Debian Linux for many years.

Debian -- spelled D-E-B-I-A-N -- has excellent support for many popular ham radio modes including CW, RTTY, packet radio, APRS, PSK-31 and many others. It is a version of the Linux operating system known world wide as dedicated to free software, quality and even ham radio. Bdale’s leadership skills should prove to be a match made in technology.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Nate Nueher, NY0X, in Colorado.
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More information on Debian Linux can be found in cyberspace at www.debian.org. (NY0X, ARNewsline™)

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Break 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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THE THANK YOU CORNER WITH ANY JAREMA, N6TCQ

Last week, Support Fund Administrator Andy Jarema, N6TCQ, presented the latest Newsline fiscal report. Andy is back with us this week to say thanks to those who supported Amateur Radio Newsline™ in the month of January. Here is N6TCQ:

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In the month of January we heard from Benton Bonney, W4PE of Orlando Jodie Steggerda, N8ALJ of Champaign, IL. From California, we heard from GEARS, the Golden Empire Amateur Radio Society of Chico, as well as associate Joann Biegler, William Walters, WA2IBM of San Jose CARA, the Catalina Amateur Repeater Association Bruce Murray of Seal Beach and Jim Truran, KE6FNJ of Encino.

Thanks to everybody for their support. A reminder that Newsline is a 501c 3 and a California non-profit corporation; all contributions are tax-deductible. The address for the Newsline Support fund is PO Box 660937, Arcadia, CA

91066. I'm Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.

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Thanks Andy. (N6TCQ)

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RADIO BUSINESS: AEROFLEX BUYS IFR

If you use R-F test equipment to keep your repeater operating, listen up. According to Chris Boone, WB5ITT, Wichita Kansas based Aeroflex Inc. is acquiring IFR Systems Inc. – maker of the famed IFR Spectrum Analyzer and other R-F test gear. According to an April 15th press release, Aeroflex is paying approximately $60 million in cash for IFR. (WB5ITT)

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HAMVENTION 2002: ARRL DIGITAL VOICE FORUM

The ARRL Digital Voice Working Group will host a Digital Voice Forum at the 2002 Dayton Hamvention. The session will include presentations from experts in the fields of digital-audio hardware, software and other technical details. Applications from rag-chewing to emergency communications to digital audio broadcasting will be covered. The date is Sunday, May 19th at 10:15 at the Hara Arena Meeting Room 1 immediately following the ARRL Forum. (ARRL)

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INTERNATIONAL – UK: SPECIAL EVENT STATION GB2PK

On the international scene, word that United Kingdom special event station GB2PK will be on the air intermittently from the 26th of April for a month from the Porthcurno Telegraph Museum in Cornwall. The operation will use both vintage 1950’s military and modern ham radio gear. QSL as directed on the air. (GB2RS)

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INTERNATIONAL – SOUTH KOREA: SPECIAL EVENT STATION HL17FCW

Also involved in a celebration HL17FWC. This station is on the air from South Korea to commemorate the 17th FIFA Football World Cup. QSL via HLZ0HQ. (GB2RS)

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CONTESTS - WRTC 2002: UNITED ARAB EMIRATES TEAM INVITED TO 2002 EVENT

From the world of contesting, word that the WRTC 2002 Organizing Committee has decided to invite the A61AJ team from the United Arab Emirates to be the representative of the contesting community in the Middle East. According to a WRTC press release, the teams operating from A61AJ have achieved superb results over the past few years. WRTC planners say that this invitation seeks to recognize this fact. Team UAE will be led by Ali Al-Futtaim, A61AJ. Al-Futtaim is well known as the driving force behind the development of what is one of

the premier contest superstations in the Middle East and Asia. (WRTC)

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DX

In D-X, Cuban VHF DX'er Arnie Coro, CO2KK says over the VHF Reflector that six meters is, properly named the magic band. According to Coro, while testing a balcony mounted half wave dipole he heard VK2ZF calling CQ on CW several times near 50.106 MHz. Coro says that the signal was good copy with no signs of echoes. Arnie responded but with only two watts and a dipole, no Q-S-O was made. Coro says that if he had been running at last 5 watts and a beam, that contact would have been made. (VHF Reflector)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: AN EDITORIAL - WHERE HAVE ALL THE NOMINATIONS GONE?

And finally this week, an editorial word about the Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award. Here is our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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Im going to start this commentary with one word: Help!

Why help? Well its now the end of April. The nominating period for the 2002 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award has been open since February 1st. We have announced it at the end of every newscast for almost three months. Sadly, to date, we have not received what we consider to be a single viable nomination. Not one!

Normally by now we have received at least a dozen or more nominations. As this is written, all we have are the usual letters asking that we enter a youngster in a contest that some think the award to be. To paraphrase one: "Our 5 year old just got her ham license so send a free radio."

But that is it! And for the record; the Young Ham of the Year Award is not a contest. Rather its a way to honor the accomplishments of youth in ham radio. It has been that -- and only that -- since 1986.

The nominating period for this years award closes on May 30th. Just about 4 weeks from now. As it stands, there may be no Young Ham of the Year Award presented in 2002 unless we begin to receive valid nominations. And that is where you come in.

Do you know of a young ham -- age 18 or younger? One who has accomplished something really special using Amateur Radio? Well, what are you waiting for? Now is the time to nominate that person.

Does your radio club have a youngster who has been an outstanding member. Maybe one who does far more for the club that most of the grown-up hams? Again, what are you waiting for? This very moment is the time nominate that boy or girl.

How about that quiet young ham who is always willing to volunteer in public service events? You know; the one who does everything from organizing the

communications to keeping the club repeater operating. Ill say it once again: What are you waiting for? Nominate that person.

I think you get the idea.

OK. How do you file a nomination? Simple. You go to www.arnewsline.org, scroll down to Young Ham of the Year Award. Click on the rules. Read them. Click on the nominating form. Download it. Fill it out and mail it in or e-mail it to us. Its that easy.

We at the Amateur Radio Newsline™ believe that the future of our hobby, our service and our nation is in the hands of the young. It will be the next generation of young hams who will be the technologists, public service leaders and political leaders of this new millennium. The Young Ham of the Year Award is one way to guarantee that there will be this “next generation” of ham radio leaders. By taking the time to nominate a youngster for this award, you take one step to help insure the future of Amateur Radio.

Thank you. Roy.

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If the award is made this year, the youngster selected will receive a trip to the Huntsville Hamfest and a ham radio gift courtesy of Vertex Standard. He or she will also be treated to a week at Spacecamp Huntsville thanks to the folks at C-Q magazine. (ARNewsline™)

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With thanks to Alan Labs, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline™ Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. Our mailing address is PO Box 660937, Arcadia California 91066. More information about this newscast and the Young Ham of the Year Award is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Roy Neal, K6DUE saying 73 and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline™ is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

731. P60 Electric tower

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-28 20:37:31 UTC
From: m0mlw@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020428163731.28302.00006809@mb-fe.aol.com>
Source record: 4366

P60 tower for sale includes electric winch, manual luffing winch, cables etc
all in very good condition. buyer collects Kettering ï¿½450

732. HF rig recommendations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-29 01:14:08 UTC
From: Peter Dougherty <ve3thx@nac.net>
Message-ID: <8j6pcuo603n87il4j4sne2dt7e838lu1uf@4ax.com>
Source record: 4367

Hi Folks,

I will hopefully be looking at a new HF rig in Dayton this year, but having been using my trusty TS-820S for so long, I've kind of lost track of everything new these days.

While Irealize there will never be any such thing as a perfect radio (or at least, not one that's affordable to mere mortals), I'd appreciate a few suggestions for rigs that will give me the following must-haves:

1) continuous receive from 500kHz o so up to 30 MHz and TX on all ham frequencies within that range

2) Some form of DSP--preferably in the IF, but good audio-level DSP would be OK if I hear enough good things about it.

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4) Serial interface that works with my logger, DX Base and with contest loggers

5) Built in second VFO

I need to come down under $1K new for this, and so far, I've been looking long and hard at the Kenwood TS-570D(g). While it sure looks nice, I'm honestly wondering if I could do better for around the same money, maybe with an older but fully-featured used rig. The Icom IC-746 also looks pretty good, but is the extra $$$ really worth it?

I'm strictly an SSB and digital-modes man so I don't need CW keyers/memories/filters, etc, but do need a way to narrow out and reject carriers and heavy adjacent channel QRM since I enjoy working DX and a few contests from time to time.

Thanks in advance to one and all. If replying by e-mail, please note the anti-spam reply-to e-mail address.

73 de Peter, W2IRT
(ex-AB2NZ, VE3THX)

Please reply to Double-you Two Eye Are Tee at Arrl.net

733. Motorola JEDI beltclips (HT-1000, JT-1000, MT-2000, MTS-2000)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-29 02:13:37 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3ccdac45.603708@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4368

Motorola JEDI beltclips (HT-1000, JT-1000, MT-2000, MTS-2000)

Pair of new removable beltclips for Motorola JEDI portables. $10 +
shipping. Remove NOSPAM from the following email address
NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net

734. Icom 706IIg and filters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-29 07:01:25 UTC
From: richard dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns91FF19AD93129jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32>
Source record: 4369

I'm a relatively new tech class ham soon to move up to general. After considering radios for my car, the best choice for my purposes seems to be the 706IIg, particularly because of its detachable face and coverage of multiple bands. The thing I'm not familiar with is its stock rx filters, compared to the optional ones, particularly for am (where no optional filter exists). I would like to use this mode, but have heard bad things about its rejection of nearby QRM.
This is the first time I've worked with this, so I'm not sure how it is setup stock. That is, how wide is its receive filter on AM or SSB without any additional filters? Particularly on am, since no accessory filter seems to exist. The radio will be in my car, so there won't be any cw, at least while moving.

My ideal setup would have one of the ssb filters (haven't decided which) in one slot, and a 6 khz filter in the other, but it looks like that won't happen, so I'm just curious what I can look forward to if I do end up purchasing this radio.

Any info is appreciated.

Ben
KC9BAR

735. Repeater Freq's for Renfrew County????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-29 15:14:21 UTC
From: Norm <CatchMe@Cheers.com>
Message-ID: <hrdz8.42248$Il1.8268@news02.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4370
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Anyone have any idea what they are?

http://ca.groups.yahoo.com/group/ScanRenfrewCounty/

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
Version: 6.0.351 / Virus Database: 197 - Release Date: 4/19/2002

736. 2m and 6m net listings!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-30 03:33:24 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020429233324.22959.00005148@mb-cn.aol.com>
Source record: 4371

I have listings of 2m and 6m nets from around the country on my website. Please take a moment to look at them by going to http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com. If you see anything that needs to be changed, or if you have any additions, please let me know.

I currently only have listings of 2m SSB and AM nets, plus 6m FM, AM and SSB nets. There are too many 2m FM nets that go on around the country to list.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

737. WTB: AOR AR3000A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-04-30 03:37:27 UTC
From: Anonymous <robbin@mcg.net>
Message-ID: <8b4scust8ievls73e4edgg8ckfijf2v0du@4ax.com>
Source record: 4372

I would like to purchase a AOR AR3000A that is in excellent condition.
Please e-mail me with details if you have one available. Thank you.
robbin@mcg.net

738. Re: HF rig recommendations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-01 04:13:33 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3CCF6B69.6C2434DA@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 4373

hey peter
i am using an icom 706MrkII its a nice all in one radio but if all you want is HF i would look at either the Icom 746(pro) or the kenwood 570 i have a couple of friends who are just totally in love with it for HF work has a really good front end on it and works well on CW
if you want to check out reviews and opnions go to www.eham.net and check out the info there they have a spot where people can post and tell how the love or hate a given item
good luck

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739. TX Mod Icom IC910H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-01 04:42:58 UTC
From: Tony <mynospamemail@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <3ccf71f3$1@duster.adelaide.on.net>
Source record: 4374
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi

I'm looking for an extended TX mod for an IC910H. The mod found on the www.mods.dk site does not work.

Thanks in advance.

regards

Tony

740. UNIDEN SMU-300N

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-01 10:20:08 UTC
From: dbelletz@satx.rr.com
Message-ID: <3ccfc0ed.49281885@news-server.satx.rr.com>
Source record: 4375

Need Programming and interface guidelines
Anyone can help?

741. Radio modem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-01 14:46:28 UTC
From: godtitan2002@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <a3ef8163.0205010646.6f1c4961@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4376

I'm looking for radio modem scheme and software...
Someone can help me....

742. Radio modem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-01 14:48:32 UTC
From: godtitan2002@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <a3ef8163.0205010648.773280e8@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4377

I'm looking for radio modem scheme and software.
Pls help.

743. Re: Radio modem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-01 21:30:27 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <3CD05E73.40191934@dialpoint.net>
Source record: 4378

To do what or to operate what mode ?

There are several free sound card programs to receive and transmitt the digital modes here:

http://www.muenster.de/%7Ewelp/sb.htm

Miroslav wrote:
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> I'm looking for radio modem scheme and software...
> Someone can help me....

744. Re: Icom 706IIg and filters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-02 03:10:25 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0205011910.e0987a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4379

richard dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:<Xns91FF19AD93129jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32>...
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I was waiting to see if any AMer's would comment as I don't work AM
too much.
The stock filter for AM on the 706g is pretty wide. About 8-9 kc at 60
db down I think. The stock filter for SSB is claimed to be appx 2.4 kc
"6db down", but in practice mine seems to be nearly 2.7 kc before you
start to see a drastic cutoff on the high end. It's very close to my
TS-830 in width, except the 706 has a tad more emphasis on the higher
end of the audio spectrum. The 830 has a bit of a midrange peak that
the 706 doesn't really have. The 706 is pretty flat across the
spectrum looking at noise. You do have a stock radio narrow AM
position if you hit the "FIL" button. But this filter is very narrow
for voice. Probably ok for tight stuff though. With the "fil" off, and
in the wide AM position, it is pretty wide. Some don't like it. Myself
I do, as I only use the AM for SWL for the most part , and I like the
better audio with the wide filter. I think there is a mod for a
narrower AM filter setup, but I don't have the link for it. The "fil"
button will really tighten it up, but it's almost overkill it's so
narrow as far as voice. You will get fairly narrow communications
quality audio with the "fil" on. It also works for FM. I don't use it

much myself as I usually leave it wide for SWBC. I need a CW filter for mine. For SSB it's fine as is. I actually prefer a wider filter on SSB. The stock 706 SSB is just about right for my tastes. Has pretty good audio actually for a dinky radio. Receive too. MK

745. PI6ALK stops transmissions via Eutelsat-W2

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-03 09:33:06 UTC
From: PI6ALK <info@pi6alk.nl>
Message-ID: <aatlgr$2ao8$1@scavenger.euro.net>
Source record: 4380
Cross-posted to: alt.satellite.tv.europe,alt.usenet.satellite,nl.media.radio,nl.media.radio.zeezenders,nl.media.satelliet,nl.media.tv,nl.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur

The Dutch Amateur Television Repeater PI6ALK will stop transmissions via Eutelsat-W2 per May 6. Tonight, Friday, May 3, we will "celibrate" the end of our transmissions. Everyone is invited to participate via chats on the TV screen, ICQ, Phone and Fax.
For info read the scrolling text on the websites:

www.pi6alk.nl
www.webcamsue.nl
www.mxstreamplanet.com
www.orac-fm.com

See you all there.

746. Re: Radio modem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-03 11:59:02 UTC
From: godtitan2002@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <a3ef8163.0205030359.4a303a48@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4381

Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net> wrote in message
news:<3CD05E73.40191934@dialpoint.net>...
> To do what or to operate what mode ?
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> There are several free sound card programs to receive and transmitt the
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> http://www.muenster.de/%7Ewelp/sb.htm
Is need something to do for your hardware.

747. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-04 00:50:57 UTC
From: Stephen Pike <spikey911usa@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <RfGA8.47297$v7.3907431@bin6.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4382
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Uggggg, Gigaparts....Never Again....

"DBN" <dnicholson@socket.net> wrote in message
news:u9t676ejee0qf5@corp.supernews.com...
> I got a note from the guys at Gigaparts. They say that it will be
available
> the end of May or first part of June. BUT they do not have pricing info
yet.
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> for what its worth
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> Dan
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748. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-04 14:04:01 UTC
From: TFW <frankjg@citlink.net>
Message-ID: <ud7qipctpete48@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4383
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Please explain?

Frank
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749. ARNewsline 1290 - May 3 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-04 19:23:48 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020504152348.19405.00006214@mb-fw.aol.com>
Source record: 4384

I corrected the date. Newsline said it was Friday May 1. Friday is May 3.

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ARNewsline™ 1290 coverage of the flight of Mark Shuttleworth, ZS-RSA, is very audio intensive. This historic meaning of this story really cannot be appreciated in a print version. We strongly urge you this week to visit www.arnewsline.org, click on the newscast number, download the MP3 file and listen to a moment in history that was made possible by Amateur Radio. Thank you.

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1290 with a release date of Friday, May 3rd 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Mark Shuttleworth comes on the air from the I-S-S and South Africa cheers. This story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1290 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SECOND SPACE VISITOR OPERATES HAM RADIO FROM THE ISS

South African amateur researcher Mark Shuttleworth has made his way to the International Space Station and to ham radio. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Roy Neal, K6DUE, has been following the mission and brings us up to date:

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(STUDENTS CHEER)

MORE THAN 200 STUDENTS, IN SOUTH AFRICA, CHEERED THEIR NEW HERO, MARK SHUTTLEWORTH. THEY TALKED TO HIM VIA AMATEUR RADIO. NICE DX. ON THE FIRST CALL, THESE ARE STUDENTS IN CAPE TOWN, TALKING TO THE PASSENGER IN SPACE BY WAY OF HAM STATION VK5ZAI, IN AUSTRALIA.

(STUDENT QUESTION AND SHUTTLEWORTH RESPONSE)

MARK SHUTTLEWORTH HAS BECOME A HERO IN SOUTH AFRICA. TO QUOTE THE HEADLINES: “HE’S THE FIRST AFRICAN IN SPACE” AND HAM RADIO HAS ENHANCED THAT IMAGE.

USING ARISS -- THE AMATEUR RADIO ON THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION -- WITH SPECIAL PERMISSION AND AN HONORARY LICENSE -- SHUTTLEWORTH LINED UP CONTACTS WITH HUNDREDS OF SCHOOL KIDS -- SCHOOL LEARNERS THEY'RE CALLED IN SOUTH AFRICA. HE ALSO MADE SOME GENERAL CONTACTS WITH HAM RADIO OPERATORS.

ON FOUR DIFFERENT DAYS, STUDENTS GATHERED AT FOUR SPECIAL SCHOOLS, STARTING WITH SHUTTLEWORTH'S ALMA MATER, BISHOPS IN CAPE TOWN. ALL TOLD, ABOUT A THOUSAND SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENT LEARNERS SHARED THE EXPERIENCE OF DIRECT CONTACT.

ON THE SECOND DAY SOME 300 STUDENTS GATHERED AT THE HAVENSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER IN DURBAN WERE TREATED TO SOME REAL TIME EXCITEMENT. SHUTTLEWORTH WAS NOT ON THE AIR AT THE APPOINTED HOUR! HE WAS BUSY COMPLETING A MEDICAL EXPERIMENT.

AN EMERGENCY TEAM WENT TO WORK. THEY CALLED RUSSIAN MISSION CONTROL, IN MOSCOW, NASA MISSION CONTROL IN HOUSTON, MARK SHUTTLEWORTH ABOARD THE SPACE STATION…AND THEY AWAKENED TONY HUTCHISON, VK5ZAI, IN AUSTRALIA BEFORE DAWN.

AT ONE POINT THE SOUTH AFRICAN COORDINATOR, RICHARD MILLS, WAS ON THREE PHONES AT THE SAME TIME. SOMEHOW IT WORKED AND LESS THAN HALF AN HOUR AFTER THE FIRST ATTEMPT THEY MADE CONTACT AND THE HAPPY STUDENTS CHATTED BRIEFLY WITH THEIR HERO IN SPACE.

ARISS PROVIDED TOP NOTCH GROUND STATIONS IN AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AFRICA AND THE UNITED STATES TO MAKE THE CONTACTS. ON THE AIR, MARK USED ONE OF THE ISS INTERNATIONAL CALLS, NA1SS. THE COMMUNICATIONS WERE FED AROUND THE WORLD AS A DONATION FROM WORLDCOM, THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK.

MOST SOUTH AFRICAN RADIO AND TELEVISION STATIONS AND NETWORKS CARRIED THE REPORTS LIVE AND REPEATED THEM ON TAPE. NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES GAVE THEM HEADLINES GALORE. IN THE UNITED STATES, CABLE NETWORK MSNBC CARRIED THE CONTACTS.

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(STUDENT QUESTION AND SHUTTLEWORTH RESPONSE)
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BEFORE TAKING OFF ON HIS SPACE FLIGHT, FOR WHICH HE PAID RUSSIA AN ESTIMATED $20 MILLION, SHUTTLEWORTH TOLD REPORTERS THAT HIS LIVE COMMUNICATION REPRESENTS A MAJOR TURNING POINT FOR THE IMAGE OF SOUTH AFRICAN EDUCATION. THEN MARK SHUTTLEWORTH ADDED "THIS PUTS A GROUP OF OUR SCHOOL LEARNERS UNIQUELY INTO THE GLOBAL SPOTLIGHT OF SPACE EXPLORATION."

AND THAT'S JUST WHAT HE DID, HOLDING CONVERSATIONS WITH STUDENTS WHO WON THE RIGHT TO ASK THEIR QUESTIONS IN A NATIONAL COMPETITION.
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(STUDENT QUESTION AND SHUTTLEWORTH RESPONSE)
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SPACE TRAVEL HAS BEEN A LIFELONG DREAM FOR MARK SHUTTLEWORTH. HE HAS SHARED IT WITH A VERY GRATEFUL SOUTH AFRICA AND IN THE PROCESS HAS GIVEN AMATEUR RADIO A MAGNIFICENT SHOWCASE TO THE WORLD.

FOR THE AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE, RN, K6DUE.

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The crew's primary mission was to deliver a fresh Soyuz spacecraft to the I-S-S. This spacecraft remains available as an emergency escape lifeboat. (ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SHUTTLEWORTH MAKES RANDOM CONTACTS

Mark Shuttlesworth was active on voice over North America from the International Space Station making random contacts. He used the standard space communications F-M channel pair 145.800 to transmit while listening on 144.490 MHz. One of those he spoke to was AMSAT North America's Frank Bauer, KA3HDO. Mark's audio was captured by Bruce Paige, KK5DO and posted to his website. Take a listen:

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Shuttleworth: "Kilo-Alpha-3-Hotel-Delta-Oscar this is NA1SS. Do you copy us?"
(Response)
Shuttleworth: "Thaks very much for your help with the station on the ISS."
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Shuttleworth was only been heard using NA1SS. That's a call assigned to the ISS. He's not used his honorary South African ZS-RSA callsign. According to Miles Mann, WF1F, Shuttleworth worked many stations as he flew across the United States. This included school amateur radio club KB3BRT in Knoxville Pennsylvania. More next week. (ARNewsline(tm) with audio provided by KK5DO)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SHUTTLEWORTHS SPECIAL CALL

Before his flight, Mark Shuttleworth was granted a temporary honorary ham radio call to operate from the International Space Station. And while everyone who is assigned to the ISS has some form of ham radio certification, the call, ZS RSA, is a one of a kind. Amateur Radio Newsline's Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, tells us why:

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According to Deon Erwin, ZR1DQ, space visitor Mark Shuttleworth received all the information in Russia's Star City, from the South African Radio League, to study for his ham radio license and he was trying to fit these studies into his busy training schedule. However, there was doubt whether Shuttleworth would actually have the time to complete his ham radio exam due to the eight months it took to learn Russian and simultaneously completing his astronaut training.

So the Oakdale Amateur Radio Club near Cape Town, South Africa, negotiated with the South African licensing authority to grant Shuttleworth an Amateur Radio license in light of the tight schedule before the launch and in anticipation of him writing the test. The authorities agreed and awarded the temporary, honorary and very unique callsign ZS RSA. ZS is the prefix for South Africa' and R S A represents the nations name -- the Republic of South Africa.

Shuttleworth’s callsign is only valid for three months. The licensing authorities did not assign a number to the callsign, as the numerals represent South Africa’s provinces and geographic locations. And in the South African licensing system no separate callsign allocation exists for space communications.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ

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The Oakdale Amateur Radio Club is located in Durbanville, a village which is about 30 kilometers North East of Cape Town. Durbanville is Shuttleworth’s home town and where his family still lives. (ARNewsline with information from SAREX remailer)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the
Woodchuck Amateur Radio Club repeater serving Cleveland Ohio.

(5 sec pause here)

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REPEATER LINKING: IRLP SURPASSES 400

Nate Duehr, WY0X, reports that the Internet Radio Linking Project or I-R-L-P has now exceeded 400 nodes. The latest list shows the number stands at 403 installed.

The Internet Radio Linking Project permits repeaters around the world to interconnect with one another using a Linux based computer and a simple computer to repeater interface. The system is secure against non hams penetrating it because of its propriority hardware and software made available only to licensed radio amateurs. In fact, it is the only Internet ham radio linking system permitted by the Australian government.

More information is on the world wide web at www.irlp.net. Be sure to look at http://status.irlp.net and http://maps.irlp.net to see if there is an I-R-L-P node near you (WY0X)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT-NA ANNOUNCES NEW SATELLITE PROJECT

AMSAT North America has started construction of a new low-earth-orbit communications satellite. According to the groups president Robin Haighton, VE3FRH, the satellite will be similar in size to the original AMSAT Microsat design, but will incorporate all new leading edge electronics and RF technology

The new satellite will be code named AMSAT OSCAR E or Echo until launch. It will contain both analog and digital VHF and UHF FM transponders similar to those carried on the UOSAT-OSCAR 14 and AMRAD-OSCAR 27 ham-sats that are

currently in orbit. In addition, the new satellite will have the capability to host one or two other experimental payloads.

Haighton discussed the new bird at the organization's Board of Directors meeting held in Washington, DC, on April 20th and 21st. The spacecraft is now slated to be ready for launch in late 2003. AMSAT says that a number of affordable launch opportunities are being actively explored. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KOLIBRI 2000 TO DE-ORBIT

The Kolibri-2000 Russian and Australian School Scientific Research Microsatellite is headed toward a fiery grave. Kolibri-2000, later named RS-21 was launched on March 19th at 22:00 UTC from the International Space Station and has been in orbit for the past 6 weeks. During that time Kolibri's has been sending back telemetry and digital voice recordings.

The low cost RS-21 satellite was designed for this type of short duration mission. Part of its job included analyzing particles using a very sophisticated a flux-gate magnetometer and sending that data back to Earth. But all of this will soon end as Kolibri-2000 will reenter the Earths atmosphere and burn up sometime between May 3rd to the 4th UTC time.

Since the RS-21 has solar panels to recharge it batteries, it should be able to continue to transmit data until re-entry occurs. To hear its last transmissions, keep your radio set to the satellites primary downlink on 435.335 MHz and secondary downlink on 145.825 MHz. Both frequencies operate CW and FSK and you might want to keep a tape recorder running to catch a bit of ham radio space history as the mission of Kolibri-2000 comes to an end. (WF1F, ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: OWNERS OF BROOKLYN REPEATER DON’T RESPOND TO FCC

The owner operators of a repeater in the New York City area have not yet responded to a letter of inquiry from the FCC and the agency wants to know why. So it has once again written to one of the pair of hams to demand an answer. The person posing the questions is Special Counsel Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH:

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Hollingsworth: “We warned Thomas Batista, an operator of the KC2DDD and the N2IFU repeater -- the repeater alternately known by both of those call signs -- in Corona New York -- that we had nor gotten a response from him to our letter of February 15th. That letter concerned interference and allegations of no coordination.”
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In earlier letters to Batista and Gerardo Arias regarding the same repeater, the FCC asked for an explanation of why the system input is on 143.020 MHz. This is a frequency not allocated for use by hams. (FCC)

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RADIO RULES: XM & SIRIUS CONCERNED ABOUT OUT-OF-BAND EMISSIONS

The nation's two satellite digital audio radio service providers, XM and Sirius, are concerned that out-of-band signals from a variety of wireless devices. The CGC Communicator reports that the two worry that these services will eventually cause widespread interference to their program services.

Singled out as potential culprits are license-free Part 15 and 18 devices such as ISM, Bluetooth, IEEE 802.11b, home RF wireless devices, RF lighting, ultra-wideband devices and even Family Radio Service transmitters. The fifth harmonics from Channels FRS channels 8 to 14 fall within XM's passband but not Sirius's. More information is found at the FCC website under ET Docket 01-278, RM-9375 and RM-10051. (CGC Communicator)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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SUPPORT FUND REPORT WITH ANDY JAREMA N6TCQ

Its time once again to hear from our support fund administrator. Here’s N6TCQ.

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In the month of February we heard from The Montgomery ARC of Gaithersburg, MD; The Kanawha ARC of Charleston, WV; Michael Leahan, N9PQK of Sun Prairie, WI; Jay Underdown, W0PS of St. Charles, MO; The DuPage, IL ARC; Russell Lamb and the South Texas Amateur Repeater Society of Harlingen, TX, WH8H; The Steamboat Springs, CO Amateur Radio Association; regular contributor William Walters, WA2IBM of San Jose, CA.; The Kings ARC of Armona, CA; David Estrada, KD6HDX and the INLANDARS repeater system of Chino Hills, CA and the Xerox Amateur Radio Club in El Segundo, WD6CZH.

Thanks to everybody for their support. A reminder that Newsline is a 501c 3 and a California non-profit corporation; all contributions are tax-deductible.

The address for the Newsline Support fund is PO Box 660937, Arcadia, CA 91066. If you missed it, it will be given again at the end of this week's newscast.

I'm Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.

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Also, a reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year award closes May 30th. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org. (ARNewsline(tm) Support Fund)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: AUTOMATING NEWSLINE

Fred Vobbe of the National Radio Club D-X Audio Service says that he is now playing Amateur Radio Newsline automatically on his repeater. Fred says that he uses Echo Station software to automatically play this newscast every Saturday and Monday night at 7 P-M over his W8HDU repeater.

Fred’s machine operates 443.625 and is located in Allen County Ohio. More on Echo Station automation software is on the word wide web at www dot westmountainradio.com and click the link on the right side of the page that says Amateur Radio soundcard software presentation. (W8HDU)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: CALL 511 IN UTAH FOR TRAFFIC INFO

Travelers in Utah have a new way to get updates on traffic, and they can do it without having to watch television or listen to the radio. Instead, using a cellular phone, they can dial the nation's first voice-activated 511 travel service line.

Called Tellme, this is one of several free, voice-activated services known as voice portals.' Voice portals use speach recognition software to retrieve and translate information from the Internet. Taking their cues from spoken words, the services can dispense stock quotes, horoscopes, driving directions, sports scores and other widely sought information over any telephone.

Utah was one of six states selected to launch a 511 service after the Federal Communications Commission officially designated 511 as a nationwide number for travel information back in July 2000. Like the emergency number 911, the 511 systems are a public service and free. (Road Routes)

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INTERNATIONAL: UK ANNOUNCES INTERMEDIATE LICENSE CLASS PLANS

The United Kingdom’s Radiocommunications Agency has announced details of the qualifications and examinations for the revised licensing structure for that nations Amateur Radio service.

A press release from the Radiocommunications Agency says that a new program of study for the U-K Intermediate license will be introduced early in 2003. This will be based on the current Novice syllabus but will exclude those topics covered in the Foundation License. The Radiocommunications Agency says that it plans to announce the course outline at least three months ahead of its introduction. It will be run initially as a pilot format similar to the Foundation pilot. Once the new syllabus is in force, a pass at Foundation level will be a pre-requisite to sitting the Intermediate Class U-K exam.

The new licensing structure was announced in September 2001. It’s first phase was the introduction of the Foundation License last January. This new ticket has been deemed to be a major success with over 1500 M 3 prefix Foundation Licenses having been issued. (RSGB)

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DX

In D-X, what is believed to be the first 2-meter random meteor scatter contact has been made between Australia and New Zealand. Rex Moncur, VK7MO, in Hobart and Bob McQuarrie, ZL3TY, in Greymouth, on the west coast of the south island of New Zealand, made the contact on April 13th over a distance of 1950 kilometres using the W-S-J-T software. (Q-News, RSGB)

A bit lower in frequency, HC8N reports that the new QSL Route to him is Randy Becnel, W5UE, at Post Office Box 170, Kiln, MS 39556-0170 in the United States. Bechnel replaces Derek Wills AA5BT who is stepping down after 10 years of service and 50,000 QSL requests answered. (Various DX publications)

Also, Dennis Hanley, G3YVY, says that he has been informed that his callsign is being used on 20 meters. At present Dennis has no High Frequency equipment and says that has no immediate plans to become active on the H-F bands. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: USA ARDF CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

And finally, who's the best in the country at finding hidden transmitters? Here's Newsline's Joe Moell, K0OV, with the results of a contest to find the answer, and an opportunity for your club to get in on the fun.

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USA has just completed its second national championships of on-foot hidden transmitter hunting, also called radio-orienteering and ARDF. The event took place near Pine Mountain, Georgia, hosted by hams in the Georgia Orienteering club. Primary organizers were Laurie Searle KG4FDM and Sam Smith N4MAP. About two dozen of our country's best fox-finders went into the deep woods of Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park, trying to be first to find up to five transmitters and then navigate their way to the finish line. Their rewards: the possibility of a medal and a place on our country's team going to the ARDF World Championships in Slovakia this coming September.

The championships included two complete courses on consecutive days, the first on two meters and the second on 80 meters. Best performance overall was by Gyuri Nagi KF6YKN, who averaged 19 minutes per fox on two meters and an amazing 15 minutes per fox on 80 meters. Gyuri, whose other call is HA3PA, is a part-time US resident who learned the sport in his native Hungary. He competed in M21, the prime age division, requiring him to find five foxes on a six kilometer forest course. Gold medal winning hams in other age and gender divisions were Jerry Boyd WB8WFK, Valerie Meyer KG4QWE, John Munsey KB3GK, Debbie Pendley KD5LOK, Charlie Siler KO4NO, and Jack Stump KD5OEO.

Hidden transmitter hunting is a fast-growing activity in the USA, whether on foot like these championships, or in cars full of direction finding gear and computers. It's time for your club to give it a try. The perfect opportunity is coming May 11 and 12, which will be the fifth annual National Foxhunting Weekend, sponsored by CQ magazine. The May issue of CQ has all the details. On the Web, you can find lots of information on both the National Fox Hunting W and the just-completed national Championships at www.homingin.com. That's

homingin -- one word -- homingin.com

From southern California, where every weekend is a transmitter hunting weekend, this is Joe Moell K-zero-Oscar-Victor for Amateur Radio Newsline.

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The next stop for the winners? Hopefully Slovakia and the world championships this fall. (ARNewsline(tm). K0OV)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, saying 73 and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

(End Newscast)

RAIN PROMO: “This week on the Radio Amateur Information Network Hap Holly presents part 2 of his interview with Nicholas Leggett, N3NL. Leggett wants the FCC to mandate field repairable ham gear. Here more at www.rainreport.com or on the phone at 847-827-7246.”

750. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 05:35:09 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205042135.5e0cdb36@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4385
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Still nothing on Yaesu's website. I get the feeling the radio's a
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on it on their website? Who's ever heard of a modern HT with 6m AM?
And .3 watts for 220mhz? Has anyone at Yaesu admited that this radio
is in production or will be?

751. radio is outdated technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 07:48:25 UTC
From: smith <none@none.com>
Message-ID: <3CD4EA0A.E30869A6@none.com>
Source record: 4386

testing

752. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 16:01:47 UTC
From: Ken Bessler <kg0wx@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <IGcB8.7759$Fr2.2123141@twister.kc.rr.com>
Source record: 4387
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

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If the rig was a hoax then I doubt Yaesu would go to all the trouble of
getting FCC acceptance. Look here:

http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/ws.exe/prod/oet/forms/reports/Search_Form.h
ts?mode=Edit&form=Exhibits&application_id=403116&fcc_id=K66VX-7R
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Ken Bessler, Ham Callsign KG WX
Design Services Company
http://kg0wx.users.50megs.com
Smoke free since 9/30/96!
ICQ# 63379650
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753. Looking for a replacement VX-5R ant. tip...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 21:13:56 UTC
From: tek_guy@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <cbf4a67d.0205051313.2fc43c28@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4388

I've lost the 2m/440 tip for the stock antenna on my VX-5R. Does anyone know where I could look to get a replacement?

Thanks in advance...

73s,
Jim
KG4NEL

754. Re: radio is outdated technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 21:23:26 UTC
From: whagen6@cs.com
Message-ID: <20020505172326.08115.00008694@mb-fq.news.cs.com>
Source record: 4389

so are cars, but we still drive`em.

755. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 21:57:41 UTC
From: Bigdaddyking <bdk1@buckeye-express.com>
Message-ID: <MPG.173f756056c2410b9897c3@news.buckeye-express.com>
Source record: 4390
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

In article <5e5fccab.0205042135.5e0cdb36@posting.google.com>,
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The "hoax" should be in the stores really soon. If it's worth anything,
that will be a different story..

BDK

756. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 21:59:52 UTC
From: Mark <n1mi@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <sXhB8.584$Uo5.26761@newsread2.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4391
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Check the inside back cover of the latest QST.

Mark

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>

757. Re: radio is outdated technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-05 22:29:28 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <cniB8.11031$n3.8037@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4392

So what do communications satellites use, laser beams ? :>)

73 de W6DKN

"William F. Hagen" <whagen6@cs.com> wrote in message
news:20020505172326.08115.00008694@mb-fq.news.cs.com...
> so are cars, but we still drive`em.

758. Periphex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 01:24:23 UTC
From: No Spam <so34@yohoo.com>
Message-ID: <bXkB8.39644$Q42.2646171@typhoon.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 4393

After a couple of years of being off the air, I am dusting off and testing my equipment.

I used to order HT batteries from an outfit call Periphex. Are they still around (the old URL does not work)? If so, where can I locate them? If not, any recommendations for a replacement?

Thanks
Armando Flores - KB5DTU
af1023@austin.rr.com

759. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 01:46:32 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020505214632.00709.00005456@mb-cq.aol.com>
Source record: 4394

>Check the inside back cover of the latest QST.
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>Mark
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Sure, drop it in the mail for me. My address can be found on QRZ.COM...
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

760. Current FT-847 Serial Number Sequence ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 02:19:57 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <hLIB8.12471$n3.7852@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4395
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap

I'm contemplating purchasing a Yaesu FT-847 for VHF/UHF work (since my TS-790 has decided to only work on the 440 band... :>)

Anyway, I was wondering if anyone might know the current production serial number sequence, since the price on this rig has dropped to $1200.00 now, I want to try to get one that was manufactured recently rather than NOS that may not be up-to-date with any improvements, fixes, etc.

Thanks and 73,

Dan - W6DKN

761. Re: HF rig recommendations

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 04:30:14 UTC
From: Peter Dougherty <ve3thx@nac.net>
Message-ID: <v81cduobrfcego1f654f2k1232ibgbio3c@4ax.com>
Source record: 4396

Hi Dennis,

Well, so far it looks like the 570D is in the lead, but my mind could
be changed if I get enough input in any other direction. Of course,
I'd love to go for the 746 Pro, but I just can't come up with that
kind of money. At least not this year. I have a budget of about $1k
for Dayton, and that includes all the doodads and nicknacks that I
inevitably come back with. Since I'll also have to spring for a power
supply (I hadn't figured that into the equation at first--I was under
the impression that the radio worked on 110) and a speaker, I don't
have any wiggle room, unless Uncle Powerball comes through :-)

Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com> said :

>hey peter
>i am using an icom 706MrkII its a nice all in one radio but if all you
>want is HF i would look at either the Icom 746(pro) or the kenwood 570 i
>have a couple of friends who are just totally in love with it for HF work
>has a really good front end on it and works well on CW
>if you want to check out reviews and opnions go to www.eham.net and check
>out the info there they have a spot where people can post and tell how
>the love or hate a given item

73 de Peter, W2IRT
(ex-AB2NZ, VE3THX)

Please reply to Double-you Two Eye Are Tee at Arrl.net

762. Re: radio is outdated technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 04:34:13 UTC
From: johnb <borregoj@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <3CD60932.6050107@sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4397

there's a guy based near me who is developing the next thing....

www.moller.com the sky car....it looks great! i hope he can make it work....

William F. Hagen wrote:

> so are cars, but we still drive`em.
>

763. Re: radio is outdated technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 04:34:56 UTC
From: whagen6@cs.com
Message-ID: <20020506003456.26870.00006965@mb-cj.news.cs.com>
Source record: 4398

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subspace modulation technology
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764. kenwood th-f7 for sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 05:42:51 UTC
From: mike hardy <m5key@lineone.net>
Message-ID: <3cd61796_1@mk-nntp-1.news.uk.worldonline.com>
Source record: 4399
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

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for sale kenwood th-f7 handheld with dry bat pack and leather case
built in scanner from 1.6 to 23cm mint with box selling as bought
yaesu ft-817, phone mike m0fcg 01226742971

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Catch You Later
73 De Mike M0FCG
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765. Need copy of manual for ICOM3200

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 11:16:51 UTC
From: Ray Keefe <barrykooda@YAHOO.COM>
Message-ID: <DCtB8.4680$_41.349@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4250
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap

Does anyone have a manual for the ICOM 3200 dual band 144/440 mobile radio?
I just aquired one at a yard sale and need the manual to program the bugger,
especially the PL tone table.

Scans are ok in JPG, MAX, etc formats are ok.

Thanks in advance.

Ray Keefe
KC2GMN

766. Looking for mini xmit-recieve combo

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 18:38:24 UTC
From: Paul Fielding <paul@i.really.hate.spam.mainland.ca>
Message-ID: <3cd6cdc0$1@news.nucleus.com>
Source record: 4251

Hi there,

I don't know if I'm in the right forum, but I'm looking for a mini transmit receive combo. The idea is this:

I have a motorcycle helmet that has a built in headset, and an FRS communicator radio attached to the outside of it. The radio has a pass-through for an audio input (cd player, fm radio, mp3, etc). What I want to do is be able to mount my mp3 player to the front of my bike and wirelessly xmit the signal to the frs radio, rather than swing a cord up to my head. In my ideal world, there'd be a small dongle that plugs into the mp3 player mini-jack that transmits to another small dongle that plugs into the communicator on the helmet.

I've seen the Kima Link It unit, but it transmits to an FM radio, meaning I'd have to add an extra layer yet to the mix that I want to avoid.

Anyone have any ideas?

regards,

Paul

767. WTB: WBL Paddle

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 19:35:09 UTC
From: ljl160@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020506153509.02344.00004310@mb-fn.aol.com>
Source record: 4252

Im looking for a WBL twin for permanent personal use. I op 90% cw hr so would be great to have that paddle.

768. Field Day 2002 Operators Needed in Northern Virginia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 20:53:34 UTC
From: jhuggins@va.net
Message-ID: <9359b9c3.0205061253.4340d723@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4253

I am assembling a team for Field Day 2002.

I could use a few more operators - CW especially.

Location is in the heart of West Springfield in Fairfax Country in a Church's backyard. I intend on making the most of the promotional points using this location. Boy Scouts (and perhaps Girl Scouts) will be helping out too.

If you have a few hours to spare for Field Day this year, but do not have the time for full-up Field Day preparation why not just contribute to our team.

Email me if you are interested.

John

769. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-06 21:30:07 UTC
From: Erik Finskas <lakki@iki.fi>
Message-ID: <3CD6F5DF.D87C1556@iki.fi>
Source record: 4254
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

You should go and look the Vertex Standard Japan website. It takes a while always that the product information is updated to the US / UK Yaesu website.

http://www.standard-comm.co.jp/Products/amateur/vu_handie.html#

I don't understand japan but there it is. The newest products are usually published at the Japan website, as they are a japanese company...

Erik

Bigdaddyking wrote:
>
> In article <5e5fccab.0205042135.5e0cdb36@posting.google.com>,
> vhfradiobuff@aol.com says...
> > Still nothing on Yaesu's website. I get the feeling the radio's a
> > hoax. A few doctored up pictures.. why wouldn't Yaesu have information
> > on it on their website? Who's ever heard of a modern HT with 6m AM?
> > And .3 watts for 220mhz? Has anyone at Yaesu admited that this radio
> > is in production or will be?

770. Re: radio is outdated technology

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-07 13:04:23 UTC
From: Kevin Gunther <beeltee@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <rhQB8.383$C8.460251@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4255

"johnb" <borregoj@sbcglobal.net> wrote in message
news:3CD60932.6050107@sbcglobal.net...
> there's a guy based near me who is developing the next thing....
>
> www.moller.com the sky car....it looks great! i hope he can make it
> work....

Who remembers the old flying Crosley?

771. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-08 12:01:51 UTC
From: "J. Duffy Beischel" <jduffy@zoomtown.com>
Message-ID: <udi4ti5leinv21@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4256
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Yaesu hardly ever updates their website here in the US. Real disappointment. They have had notes on their website promissing things to come for over two years. Last update was the FT-817 over 20 months ago.

"vhfradiobuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.com> wrote in message news:5e5fccab.0205042135.5e0cdb36@posting.google.com...
> Still nothing on Yaesu's website. I get the feeling the radio's a
> hoax. A few doctored up pictures.. why wouldn't Yaesu have information
> on it on their website? Who's ever heard of a modern HT with 6m AM?
> And .3 watts for 220mhz? Has anyone at Yaesu admited that this radio
> is in production or will be?

772. Re: Anybody in Canada?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-08 21:00:20 UTC
From: jclind@sentex.net
Message-ID: <dG80d04f0oVk-pn2-XHIJh7B4M64x@localhost>
Source record: 4257

On Wed, 12 Dec 2001 14:00:24 UTC, "Rabbit Music"
<illcryinstead@rogers.com> wrote:

> Hi there everybody.
>
> I'm a new ham in Ontario Canada. I was wondering if anybody out there can
> recommend a good site to order QSL cards from. I only need a quantity of
> about 250 and prefer at least two or three colors. Does anybody have any
> recommendations of a site you've had good luck with? I need a Canadian
> company because exchange rates with the U.S. $$ is ridiculous right now.
>
> Thanks in advance!
>
> Nick
>
Check out http:/www.rac.ca, become a member as well. There is always
an ad in the magazine for ve7??? who has qsl cards. There are several
programs available to design your own as well. I would send you the
email address of the ham in BC but I can't find my latest magazine. If
you are in the Toronto area, check out Radioworkd on Steeles ave. by
the 400. They sell the RAC magazine AFAIK.
If in Ottawa there is the RAC headquarters.

Good Luck

John
ve3sjv@rac.ca

773. rf project, Maryland or Massachusetts area.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-09 16:28:07 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020509122807.16868.00007916@mb-fx.aol.com>
Source record: 4258

Hello, Vipul Shah, KB1HMW here. I might be taking summer courses in Maryland (if I get accepted). Any Hams interested in doing a summer design project or design study in the rf area? Perhaps towards Amateur Radio certification? I currently am in Massachusetts.

774. Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-09 20:15:21 UTC
From: Norm <CatchMe@Cheers.com>
Message-ID: <tNAC8.27883$GLp1.9998@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4259
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

Anyone have any idea as to why it hasn't been updated in months.

It's too bad, it's a good site.

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
Version: 6.0.360 / Virus Database: 199 - Release Date: 5/7/2002

775. WANTED: BATTERY PACK T 21-A ICOM

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-09 21:35:32 UTC
From: james conrad <n1ulv@nqi.net>
Message-ID: <3cdc3cd9_2@news.cybertours.com>
Source record: 4271
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

LOOKING FOR THE ALKALINE PACK FOR THE ICOM T 21-A ...MODEL NUMBER ON PACK IS BP-159..

N1ULV@NQI.NET

THANKS,

JIM

776. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-09 22:07:53 UTC
From: Frank Furter <ffurter@ffurter.com>
Message-ID: <3CDAF356.B89350CE@ffurter.com>
Source record: 4260
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

Norm wrote:

> Anyone have any idea as to why it hasn't been updated in months.
>
> It's too bad, it's a good site.

A site that has not been updated in months is good?

Why not send a message to them via whatever email address they list on
the site and tell them?
It's too bad, your such a smart person.

777. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-09 22:26:06 UTC
From: Norm <CatchMe@Cheers.com>
Message-ID: <2ICC8.28454$GLp1.17972@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4261
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

I did that already. There was no reply.

:(

"Frank Furter" <ffurter@ffurter.com> wrote in message
news:3CDAF356.B89350CE@ffurter.com...
> Norm wrote:
>
> > Anyone have any idea as to why it hasn't been updated in months.
> >
> > It's too bad, it's a good site.
>
> A site that has not been updated in months is good?
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>

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Version: 6.0.361 / Virus Database: 199 - Release Date: 5/7/2002

778. Attn: Scanner Magazine Collectors

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-09 23:04:11 UTC
From: Randy <Don'tSpamMe@MyEmailAddress.com>
Message-ID: <LfDC8.9002$QOT.7050@news02.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4262
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

I have a pile of Popular Comm. a & Monitoring times Magazines kicking around. Some in well, used condition, most are in excellent condition.

I am wondering is there a market for these out there, cause if so, I'll stick them up in an auction. If not. I'll trash them.

What type of Price is good for a whole Lot of these mags.

about 53 mags in total. I think one is dating back as far as 98??

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Version: 6.0.361 / Virus Database: 199 - Release Date: 5/7/2002

779. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-10 01:41:48 UTC
From: Dave Holford <holford@sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <3CDB255C.CE3C3262@sympatico.ca>
Source record: 4263
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

Maybe I'm missing something but it has the May and June issue index, the airshow page has the fact that the Ottawa, Canada show is in doubt due to the cost of insurance (this was only announced a couple of weeks ago).

Just what is it that is out-of-date?

Dave

Norm wrote:

>
> Anyone have any idea as to why it hasn't been updated in months.
>
> It's too bad, it's a good site.
>
> ---
> Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
> Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
> Version: 6.0.360 / Virus Database: 199 - Release Date: 5/7/2002

780. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-10 02:03:58 UTC
From: Norm <CatchMe@Cheers.com>
Message-ID: <iUFC8.28944$GLp1.19211@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4264
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

It must have just been updated. Because I've been checking it regularly,
and it hadn't been updated. I now look and see that it is.

Case closed.

"SB" <StogieButt@ameritech.net> wrote in message
news:8p9mducusj2eklsog4pta7bngmc9bb371o@4ax.com...
> "Dave Holford" wrote:
>
> >Just what is it that is out-of-date?
>
> Maybe - JUST maybe - that the current issue link takes you to LAST
> NOVEMBER??

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Version: 6.0.361 / Virus Database: 199 - Release Date: 5/7/2002

781. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-10 02:09:55 UTC
From: Dave Holford <holford@sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <3CDB2BF3.B3FBC1B5@sympatico.ca>
Source record: 4265
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

I don't know what site you are looking at but the Monitoring Times
website current issue is May 2002. I just checked it.

Are you looking at http://www.monitoringtimes.com/ or some other place?

Dave

SB wrote:
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> "Dave Holford" wrote:
>
> >Just what is it that is out-of-date?
>
> Maybe - JUST maybe - that the current issue link takes you to LAST
> NOVEMBER??

782. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-10 02:16:03 UTC
From: Dan Morisseau <dpm3@morisseau.org>
Message-ID: <3CDB2D64.A5AB42E5@morisseau.org>
Source record: 4266
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

Frank Furter wrote:

> It's too bad, your such a smart person.

And what about you? Learn to spell.

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Dan Morisseau, N7ZXL - N 38ï¿½34'53", W 90ï¿½22'32", 680'
On the sunrise side of Mo-Pac's famous Kirkwood Hill!
Watkins Johnson HF-1000: 60' Random Wire & Palomar Loop
ICOM R-7000/Optocom: Discone
"When the going gets rough, the tough go cyclic!"

783. FA: Back Issues of Monitoring Times & Popular Communictions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-10 04:26:14 UTC
From: Ontario Scanner <ScanningInOntario@TheScannerShack.com>
Message-ID: <GZHC8.29656$GLp1.9529@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4267
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

http://page.auctions.shopping.yahoo.com/ca/auction/65850518

Popular Communications

Issue Year Cover Title
Sept. 1995 New Cordless Phones Offers More Freq's
Oct. 1996 The ACARS Downlink
Nov. 1996 Scanner Buffs- Stand Up For Listening Rights
Dec. 1996 Find Out What's New In Broadcast DX'ing
Feb. 1997 Action-Packed Scanning on 800 MHz: Scanning Trunked Systems
Mar. 1997 Scanning the Skies - Are We Alone?
Apr. 1997 Satellite Digital Audio - A Step Closer To Reality
Feb. 1998 The X Files - Broadcast DXing Explorers The X Band
Mar. 1998 Successful Searching: Finding Elusive Scanner Frequencies
Apr. 1998 Super-Charge Your BCB Radio: Build A Loop Antenna
May 1998 Cruising on CB Channel 9 - More Than Emergencies
June. 1998 Space Shuttle Comms You Can Hear
July 1998 Here Comes Low Power FM Broadcasting!
Aug. 1998 Cool QSLing Tips Guaranteed To Fill your Mailbox!
Sept. 1998 Military Scanning - Frequencies, Tips, Photos, And More!
Oct. 1998 Global Military Radio Comms You Can Hear!
Nov. 1998 Meteor Shower Monitoring: Where, When, And How To Hear Super DX!
Jan. 1999 Women Behind The Microphone: Saluting Raido's Pioneers
Feb. 1999 Snagging Satellite Signals On Your Scanner
March 1999 Scanning Auckland, New Zealand "The City of Sails"
Apr. 1999 AT&T High Seas SSB Stations Going Off The Air
June 1999 Life And Death Comms: Expert Tips That Give YOU The Edge!
Sept. 1999 Solar Power For The Millenium
Dec. 1999 Beyond 2000: A Look At Scanning In The Next Millenium
Jan. 2000 World In Crisis: Dropping In On The Planet's Trouble Spots With
Your Shortwave Radio!
May 2000 Airborne Action: The Sky's The Limit On What You Can Hear!
Mar. 2001 Listening To Vietnam
May 2001 Bell Is Back: Nightly Search For The Truth Contiues

Monitoring Times

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Feb. 1995 Scanning The Traffic Reporters
Jan. 1996 The Subtle Art of Elmering
Apr. 1997 Take Your Scanner To The Racetrack!
June. 1997 Lightning! The Global Radio Network
Nov. 1997 Deutsche Welle's Digital Debut

May 1998 Inside the House of the Blues
June 1998 Cruisin' with the Radio
July 1998 Tune In "Emergency Communications"
Aug. 1998 Summertime - and the Listening is Easy
Sept. 1998 Back To The Dials - It's Shortwave Season
Oct. 1998 Unlocking The Mystery of Shortwave Radio
Jan. 1999 It's Only A Matter of Time!
Feb. 1999 Reach For The Sky! Solar cycles and the behaviour of radio waves
Mar. 1999 The Monitor's Guide To Aerial Refueling
May 1999 Spotlight on the FCC
Oct. 1999 Seasonal Skip - Tune in the forgotten low band
Nov. 1999 Homing in on Beacons
Sept. 2000 Voices from The Far East
Feb. 2001 Eyes and Ears on the Weather
Apr. 2001 My Favourite Scanning: MILCOM
Sept. 2001 Listening in on the Middle East
Oct. 2001 QSLing the World
Nov. 2001 9-11 Disaster Communication *WTC:Infamy Revisited* *Washington Uner Attack*
Dec. 2001 2002 Olympics High-Flying Frequencies
Feb. 2002 Who's WHO In Medium Wave

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Version: 6.0.361 / Virus Database: 199 - Release Date: 5/8/2002

784. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-10 12:43:54 UTC
From: Pete Ritter <cpritter@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <egPC8.16692$WR1.6525@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 4268
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

SB wrote:

> "Norm" wrote:
>
>>Anyone have any idea as to why it hasn't been updated in months.
>
> Looks as if it's a dead publication. If you look around, you'll find
> a link to Grove Enterprises or whatever it is. THAT site is current,
> but only has a link back to Monitoring Times and no explanation.

The magazine is published by Grove. Why to you think every glowing review
of a product or product announcement is accompanied by a Grove ad for the
same product?

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* This Space For Hire
*

785. WTB: Motorola Mobiles & HTs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-10 19:21:11 UTC
From: bossyy <bossyy@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <H4VC8.32449$C8.10649054@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4269
Cross-posted to: att.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

Wanted: Motorola
Maxtracs/GM300s/Spectras/mcs2000s/CDM1250s Etc.
GP350s/GP68s/Ht1250s/Ht1000s/HT750s/Sabers/MT2000's/XTS3000s/etc
VHF & UHF I buy quantity so must be reasonable.

If you have radios or Hts forsale, Contact me at:
973-857-1195 NJ
Or bossyy@optonline.net

786. Easy electronics question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-11 02:44:49 UTC
From: First Last <nobody@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <Xns920ADD382D901nobodynowherecom@63.240.76.16>
Source record: 4270

I admit I'm no electronics expert by any means, so I humble myself before you learned ones...

I'm connecting the 8 Ohm speaker output jack from a handheld radio to the "line in" on my computer, and the sound is a bit distorted. How do you turn an 8 Ohm speaker output to a line level output?

Thanks!

787. Re: Easy electronics question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-11 06:11:44 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <AC2D8.2806$Q87.101@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4272

Use an audio matching transformer to go from the 8 ohm speaker impedance to the line input 2K (approximate) impedance for best sound fidelity. Also, you will need to add some resistance (or use the volume controls) to attenuate the speaker signal level down to the to the line input level to eliminate the distortion. You can probably find the necessary parts at your local Radio Shack store...

73 de W6DKN

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news:Xns920ADD382D901nobodynowherecom@63.240.76.16...
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> you learned ones...
>
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> "line in" on my computer, and the sound is a bit distorted. How do you
> turn an 8 Ohm speaker output to a line level output?
>
> Thanks!

788. WTB: DTMF mike for Radio Shack HTX-212 or 242

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-11 07:11:09 UTC
From: Mark Jeghers <mark@t4pNOSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <hu3D8.97757$M7.8976883@bin7.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4273
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

This mike has part # 19-1125 printed on the back.
It has the keypad on the front and has the 8-pin
connector that looks lile a computer network connector.

I don't really want one that works poorly or has the
letters worn off.

Reply to marz@t4x.com, but you must change the
letter 'z' to a 'k', and change the letter 'x' to a 'p'.
The email has been deliberately written wrong
in order to prevent filthy scumbag spammers
from getting my real email address.

789. ARNewsline 1291 - May 10 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-11 17:25:04 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020511132504.00568.00011694@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 4274

NOTICE: Rick, Mike and I are taking the motor home driving to the Dayton Hamvention and wont be back home until Sunday night. I won't be able to post the next ARNewsline until Monday May 20.

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1291 - May 10th 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline™ report number 1291 with a release date of Friday, May 10th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Mark Shuttleworth returns to Earth after his ham radio odyssey in space. This story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1291 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: MARK SHUTTLEWORTH RETURNS TO EARTH

South African space explorer Mark Shuttleworth was greeted with Easter eggs and cake as he returned to earth on Sunday May 5th, This, after a ten day stay on the International Space Station that he called unforgettable. And ham radio operators around the world will remember his trip for a long time as well. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Roy Neal, K6DUE, has the wrap-up on Mark Shuttleworth’s ham radio space odyssey:

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"Every second will be imprinted and will be with me for the rest of my life.”

Those were the words of a happy Mark Shuttleworth as he was carried away from the Russian Soyuz capsule that brought him and two fellow passengers back down to earth in Kazakhstan on Sunday, May 5th at 7:51 a.m. Moscow time. Before his return to Earth, Shuttleworth delighted hams around the world when he showed up on the air and made numerous random contacts. In short order he was working them like a D-Xpedition pro. Listen:

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contact audio here
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That recording was supplied by Stan Vandiver, W4SV. We compressed it to give you a glimpse of the way Mark Shuttleworth took to ham radio and the way that ham radio welcomed him.

One ham lucky enough to record both sides of his contact with Shuttleworth was Al Lark, KD4SFF. Using the Experimenters Group Amateur Radio Club callsign N4ISS mobile, Lark spoke with Shuttleworth on May 1st at 9:20 A-M Eastern Daylight Time:

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Contact audio here
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According to Lark, that contact was made from his work van during coffee break in downtown Greenville, South Carolina.

Mark Shuttleworth's operation from the International Space Station was made possible by ARISS. Amateur Radio on the International Space Station. Amateurs from nine countries, in the USA, Russia, Japan, Europe and Canada, have set up ARISS, to design, build, maintain and supervise all operations of the amateur radio station aboard the ISS,

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Roy Neal, K6DUE.

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Shuttleworth is the second person to pay Russia for a trip to the I-S-S. The first was U.S. businessman Dennis Tito, KG6FZX, who travelled to and operated from the space station a year ago. (ARNewsline™ with audio supplied by W4SV and KD4SFF)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THE OTHER HAM IN THE CREW

Almost lost in the shadow of Mark Shuttleworth is Italian Astronaut Roberto Vittori, IZ6ERU. Vittori was a member of the crew that brought a new Russian built Soyuz escape vehicle and explorer Mark Shuttleworth to the ISS. And while on board the space station, Vittori also took to the air in his native Italian using the ARISS station:

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Vittori audio here
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That recording was made by IT9GSV as Vittori was flying over Rome. Among the other contacts Vittori made was one with a school in the town of Malignani on May the third. (Tnx: IT9GSV, IK1SLD via SAREX Remailer)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: TEEN IDOL MAY BE NEXT SPACE TOURIST

The next space tourist to visit the International Space Station could be a teen heart-throb. Lance Bass, one-fifth the teen pop group *NSYNC, says that he has passed his first battery of tests in his effort to fly into space on a Russian spacecraft later this year.

In a recent television interview, Bass said he is attempting to keep time free during the bands current tour so he can participate in additional medical tests

in the U.S.. If they go well, Bass says that he will be heading back to Russia to see if he can qualify for a fall mission to the ISS.

Bass was in Russia last March to undergo an initial series of physical tests. The 22-year-old pop singer's is attempting to qualify for a seat on the Russian mission that's set to launch on October 22nd and return to earth on November 1st. If Bass is approved to fly, it is not known if he would have time to study for a United States Amateur Radio license or if he would be interested in using the ham gear on board the ISS.

By the way, the same news report says that Bass' trip to the Star City Cosmonaut Training Center was paid for in part by Radio Shack. Last year Radio Shack filmed a television commercial aboard the international space station. (Published news reports)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Condor Connection serving the great American South-West.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: AMATEURS MUSTER FOR WEATHER EMERGENCIES

The ARRL Letter says that Amateur Radio Emergency Service teams activated or stood by to assist as severe weather struck several states in late April. The National Weather Service said storms over the weekend of the 27th and 28th left pockets of devastation from Kentucky to Maryland. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, picks up the story from here:

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La Plata, Maryland was hit hard April 28th when an F5 tornado roared through the town's business district. This time, the agencies that normally help during disasters were themselves hit. The local American Red Cross chapter office and a building housing the Charles County Emergency Operations Center were damaged.

Tom Abernethy, W3TOM is ARRL's Maryland Section Manager. He says Michelle Sack, N3YRZ, who was on duty at the LaPlata hospital broke into a SKYWARN net to report a tornado. Sack reported a the massive storm was only one-half mile away to the west and heading directly for her location.

Sack tracked and described the tornado until it struck and then continued to provide on-the-scene assessments. Other amateurs along the storm's track also provided reports on severity and damage.

Mike Tackish, KA3GRW is the county's ARES Emergency Coordinator and RACES officer. He activated the local ARES and RACES team's emergency operations. Hams set up a command and control net on UHF, and used VHF channels to supply

communications for the hospital which lost telephone service and internal communications. Hams also helped the Red Cross with communications.

Hams were also busy helping the National Weather Service as the agency conducted a follow-up investigation of the tornado which had winds of around 260 miles an hour.

Also on the same date, hams in Kentucky were busy when severe weather struck that state. Radio amateurs used a wide area repeater net to relay important information to help the Weather Service and the Meade County Emergency Management Agency.

Weather service forecasters wound up issuing a Tornado Warning based on reports from radio amateurs. One person died, with homes in the Irvington area being damaged or destroyed. Nearly a dozen hams assisted with communications.

In Erie, Pennsylvania, hams were providing communications for a March of Dimes 9-mile walk April 28th, when severe weather prompted them to activate a Skywarn Net. Buildings were damaged at Erie International Airport--trees and power lines were knocked down, but no injuries were reported.

For the Amateur Radio Nrewsline, I’m David Black, KB4KCH.

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Thats not the end of it. On April 24th, tornadoes struck Butler, Carter and Madison counties in south-eastern Missouri. More than 100 homes were damaged or destroyed. ARRL Missouri Section Emergency Coordinator Patrick Boyle, K0JPB, said ARES teams and individual amateurs remained on standby to assist if needed during the recovery effort. (ARRL Letter)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS ASSIST IN NEW MEXICO FIRE COMMS

Amateur radio played a significant communications role in fighting the New Mexico wildfires. According to Jay Miller, WA5WHN, both Otero and Lincoln Counties were affected. Albuquerque was linked to Benson Ridge neat Alamogordo via the W5BI remote base with support from stations in Roswell and Ruidoso. This in support of the Red Cross and other agencies. Also, the 146.74 and 145.23 MHz repeaters plus 3.939 MHz Lower Sideband were in use.

The Red Cross had set up a shelter in the city of Cloudcroft. During the blaze several hams were forced to out of the area because they were in the path of the fire. They were located in a recreational vehicle in a near-by campground. (WA5WHN, ARNewsline™)

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RESCUE RADIO: PHONES FAIL IN UK AND HAMS CALLED OUT

The United States is not the only place where radio amateurs have been busy. Ham radio operators who belong to the emergency service group Raynet were also called up after the telephone system failed in one area of the United Kingdom. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, in Nottingham has more.

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A major failure of the telephone system in south-west Hampshire and part of Wiltshire occurred during the evening of the 25th of April. At 2030, Bob, G4VWP, received a call from the Duty Emergency Planning Officer for Hampshire, requesting that Raynet be put on standby, ready for callout should the need arise. Later another call was received asking that, if required, Raynet should set up a VHF communications link between the police Command and Control Center at Netley and police HQ in Winchester.

Thirty-four members from four groups indicated that they were available for callout. The Forward Control Land Rover and 60-foot mobile tower were collected from storage and a portable mast, radio, power supply and associated equipment were made ready to take to the police headquarters.

The callout was led by Clive McCloud, G4EFB, Roger Davies, G8SXC, John Witts, G6BBW, Ian Duffy, G7GMN, and Dave Minett, G6DJA.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH in Nottingham.
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Eventually it was found that ham radio assistance would not be needed. Raynet members were dismissed at 23:10 UTC. (GB2RS)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC DOWNGRADES SIX TECHS

The FCC has notified six Technician class hams that they have been downgraded to no-code Technician status. This, as a result of an audit of a May 2000 ARRL V-E-C administered exam session in Statesboro Georgia. The FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth says that the problem was not the applicants but rather the test itself:

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Hollingsworth: “We found that in that session the code exam had also been used in teaching the classes and in the practice exam. The same code exam -- that is. We called in eight for a code retest. Two appeared and passed but six did not show up.”
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Hollingsworth said that the variances in the exam procedures were not the fault of any of the upgrade applicants and in no way reflect on them. However, they must first pass a valid Morse test before they can be granted the privileges of a Technician class license holder who has passed the code. (FCC, RAIN)

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RADIO RULES: FCC CONSIDERS NEW SATELLITE INTERNET ACCESS SERVICE

The FCC says that it will consider rules for a new service capable of providing broadband Internet access via satellite. According to the CGC Communicator the FCC Commissioners will consider issuing a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to implement sharing among multiple licensees in a new service capable of providing broadband access to the Internet using

non-geostationary satellites operating in the KU band. (CGC Communicator)

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RADIO LAW: CALIFORNIA LAWMAKER SEEKS CELL PHONE BAN

A California lawmaker believes that two cellular telephone related car accidents may bring attention to his efforts to ban drivers use of cellular telephones and other hand held communications devices. Assemblyman Joe Simitian says it is time to ban these apparatus in the name of public safety.

New York State already has made it illegal to use a cellular telephone while driving unless it is attached to a hands free device. Other states are considering similar legislation. In California the idea has been defeated every time it has been brought to a vote, but Simitian believes that the recent series of accidents will bring a vote in favor of his proposed across the board ban. (Published news reports)

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HAMVENTION 2002: APRS TAKES CENTER STAGE

APRS will be a feature at the upcoming Dayton Hamvention. Jack Parker, W8ISH, of Amateur News Weekly has the story.

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Audio report only. The full newscast in MP3 can be downloaded at
http://www.arnewsline.org
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The Hamventon is slated for May 17th, 18th and 19th at the HARA Arena in Dayton Ohio. APRS will be at booth 225. (ANW, W8ISH)

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(RAIN PROMO HERE: WEDDING AT HAMVENTION 2002

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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AWARDS: MC GAN NOMINATIONS DUE MAY 24

The ARRL says that nominations close May 24th for the Philip J. McGan Memorial Silver Antenna Award. The annual award honors an amateur who demonstrates outstanding public relations success at the local, state or national level on behalf of Amateur Radio, and who best exemplifies the volunteer spirit of the award's namesake.

The award is named for the late journalist Philip J. McGan, WA2MBQ, the first chairman of the ARRL's Public Relations Committee and an enthusiastic Amateur Radio booster. To obtain an entry form for the Philip J. McGan Silver Antenna Award, contact Jennifer Hagy, N1TDY by e-mail to jhagy@arrl.org (ARRL)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KOLIBRI 2000 TO DE-ORBIT FOLO

Last week we reported that the Kolibri-2000 Russian and Australian School Scientific Research Microsatellite was slated to deorbit sometime between May 3rd to the 4th U-T-C time. WE also suggested that you might want to have a tape recorder on the satellites primary or secondary downlink channels.

Well if you did, and if you caught the last transmissions from the Kolibri we could like to get a copy and so would Miles Mann, WF1F, of MAREX. You can contact Miles for shipping instructions by e-mail to wf1f@attbi.com. Amateur Radio Newsline can be reached at the address you hear at the end of this weeks report. (WF1F, ARNewsline™)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: AMSAT-NA SPACE SYMPOSIUM

The 20th Space Symposium and AMSAT North America Annual Meeting is scheduled for November 7th to the 11th in
Fort Worth, Texas. The meeting will chronicle recent and future Amateur Radio satellite technology developments and including an Electronic Surplus Stores tour on November 7th. Also slated is a Field Operations breakfast, a tour of the Lockheed Martin Aerospace Company and the all important actual AMSAT North America Board of Directors Meeting November 10th The 2002 event chairman is Keith Pugh, W5IU. (ANS)

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INTERNATIONAL-UK: NEARLY 2300 FOUNDATION LICENSES ISSUED

According to the latest statistics from the United Kingdoms Radiocommunications Agency, as of the 18th of April, some 2283 of that nations Foundation Licences had been issued. This figure is made up of 1582 Full and Intermediate Class B’s taking the Morse Assessment and 701 individuals taking the Foundation Course.

Of those 701 completely new entrants to amateur radio, 226 - or 32 per cent - are under the age of 21. After only three-and-a-half months, these figures are being seen as a great success and thanks are due to the many radio clubs and individuals who are giving their time in order to provide Foundation Courses and Morse Assessments. (GB2RS)

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DX

In D-X, word that Arliss Thompson, W7XU, and a few of his ham radio friends will be operating a 6 meter station from St. Paul Island in grid square FN97 from 29 June to 8 July. Thompson says that the group plant itself on 50.157

MHz and remain there for the duration of the DXpedition. Both CW and SSB operations will take place on that frequency although they may run split if they get a very good opening. The station will have a breakable beacon also on 50.157 MHz that will be running during slow times. QSL to W7XU. (W7XU)

Edisher Giorgadze, P5/4L4FN, has returned to North Korea. During a stop-over in Beijing, Edisher collected an Ameritron AL80A amplifier that was donated by Martti Laine, OH2BH, Bernie McClenny, W3UR and Al Baker, W5IZ. In his first contact using the increased power he contacted K4SSU who told him he was S-5 barefoot at 100 watts but an amazing 10 db over s 9 with the AL80A in line. He days that this basically guarantees more QSO's from the skylines of Pyongyang. Especially since he has extended his contract and will be in North Korea through June of 2003. Also, now that his operation is fully accredited by the ARRL a full-color QSLs has been released by his QSL manager, Bruce Paige, KK5DO. (KK5DO)

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SUPPORT FUND REPORT WITH ANDY JAREMA N6TCQ

And finally this week, we hear once again to hear from our support fund administrator. Here's Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.

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Yes, this is Andy Jarema, N6TCQ, Chief Financial Officer of the not-for-profit organization you know as the Amateur Radio Newsline. And once again, I am using the single word -- HELP! If you value this service, please help.

Let me start by saying that we really appreciate the individuals who give of themselves, but we don't hear from enough clubs. There are literally thousands, perhaps tens of thousands of traditional radio clubs and repeater clubs out there. These are the wonderful folks who re-transmit our broadcasts, bringing your nets increased value, and giving your members the latest in Amateur Radio news and information to enhance their hobby.

But Amateur Radio Newsline cannot continue without the funding needed to pay the monthly bills. And right now, we can't.

In the quarter century that it has existed, no one at the Amateur Radio Newsline has ever taken a salary. We all volunteer our time and talents. But we ARE faced with are monthly expenses for gathering and delivering the news to YOU! We are talking telephone, Internet access and the like. This hasn't changed.

We are also talking about the money we spend each year to help insure the future of Amateur Radio through the Young Ham of the Year award program. Yes, Vertex Standard, C-Q, Dave Bell Associates and Rosewood cover the expenses and gifts for the recipient. They do not cover the administration expenses. That's out part and it ran close to $1200 last year.

The bottom line is this. I am asking that you try to find it within your organization to continue this service. As we have said before, whether Amateur Radio Newsline continues to provide this service or if it disappears is totally

your decision. We are here to serve you for as long as you want us. You response the next several weeks will provide the answer.

The address for the Amateur Radio Newsline, Post Office Box 660937, Arcadia California, 91066.

Looking forward to hearing from you really soon, I’m Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.

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Also, a reminder that the nominating period for the 2002 amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year award closes May 30th. Less than three weeks from now. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org. (ARNewsline™)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline™. Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's™ only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, in New Orleans saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline™ is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

790. Re: Easy electronics question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-11 19:46:10 UTC
From: speechlab@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020511154610.01924.00007615@mb-df.aol.com>
Source record: 4275

>Use an audio matching transformer to go from the 8 ohm speaker impedance to
>the line input 2K (approximate) impedance for best sound fidelity. Also,
>you will need to add some resistance (or use the volume controls) to
>attenuate the speaker signal level down to the to the line input level to
>eliminate the distortion.

This is a pretty standard approach, and I don't mean to be critical, but I'd
just like to point out that the matching transformer is probably not necessary,
so in the interest of simplicity I'd try first adjusting the line-input level
(as
suggested above and in a previous posting).

Many people seem unaware that an impedance mismatch in itself does not
cause distortion, even if the mismatch is huge. The main problem introduced
by an impedance mismatch is loss of power, but in this case, where the
signal is larger than necessary even given the mismatch, that is not a
consideration.

Hope this is of help.

791. FS: MINT YAESU FRG-9600 VHF/UHF COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-11 22:10:59 UTC
From: radionurd@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020511181059.02385.00001493@mb-fp.aol.com>
Source record: 4276

I have FOR SALE a MINT YAESU FRG-9600 VHF/UHF Communications Receiver. This is an awesome unit that covers 60-905 mhz, ALL MODES (AM-N, AM-W, FM-N, FM-W, USB/LSB. Has 100 memories, TRIPLE CONVERSION, VFO, clock, timers, multi color signal strength meter and MUCH MORE! This radio covers it all! NO BLOCK IN FREQUENCY COVERAGE! CONTINOUS COVERAGE! This is commercial quality, and is in MINT - near NEW condition! If I had the box, you would think that it is new! Included is the radio, mobile mounting bracket (NEVER has been mobile), DC Cable, Wall-Wart Power Supply, Telescopic Antenna and Manual. I cannot stress the quality of this radio. You will be very happy with this. I am asking $400 INCLUDING Priority Shipping in the US. Please email with any questions! Thanks!

792. Re: Easy electronics question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-12 00:09:09 UTC
From: First Last <nobody@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <Xns920BC2D46DC90nobodynowherecom@216.148.227.77>
Source record: 4277

Snidley Whiplash <not@not.com> wrote in
news:qp4pducoib4lumtm5ri2rbpv68c07sui5u@4ax.com:

> On Sat, 11 May 2002 02:44:49 GMT, First Last <nobody@nowhere.com>
> wrote:
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>>I admit I'm no electronics expert by any means, so I humble myself
>>before you learned ones...
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>>I'm connecting the 8 Ohm speaker output jack from a handheld radio to
>>the "line in" on my computer, and the sound is a bit distorted. How
>>do you turn an 8 Ohm speaker output to a line level output?
>>
>>Thanks!
>
> Try lowering your HT volume & adjusting the sound card line level
> input (right click on the speaker/audio icon in the lower RH toolbar,
> open volume controls, & tweak the line in level). You may need a bit
> of adjustment/tweaking between the radio/confuser.
> G'luck!
>

I tried that. At best it still sounds fairly lousy.

793. Re: Easy electronics question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-12 00:11:29 UTC
From: First Last <nobody@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <Xns920BC339789AAnobodynowherecom@216.148.227.77>
Source record: 4278

"W6DKN" <w6dkn@qsl.net> wrote in
news:AC2D8.2806$Q87.101@nwrddc02.gnilink.net:

> Use an audio matching transformer to go from the 8 ohm speaker
> impedance to the line input 2K (approximate) impedance for best sound
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> volume controls) to attenuate the speaker signal level down to the to
> the line input level to eliminate the distortion. You can probably
> find the necessary parts at your local Radio Shack store...
>
> 73 de W6DKN

Thanks. Any idea where I could find a schematic for such a thing? What is
a circuit like this called (so I can do a search on it)?

Thanks a million!

794. Re: YaesuVX7 50/144/220/430 MHz Quad-Band Heavy Duty FM Transceiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-12 16:34:51 UTC
From: georgehome@gigaparts.com
Message-ID: <e73d3c35.0205120834.472d473f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4279
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

"Stephen Pike" <spikey911usa@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:<RfGA8.47297$v7.3907431@bin6.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>...
> Uggggg, Gigaparts....Never Again....
>
> "DBN" <dnicholson@socket.net> wrote in message
> news:u9t676ejee0qf5@corp.supernews.com...
> > I got a note from the guys at Gigaparts. They say that it will be
> available
> > the end of May or first part of June. BUT they do not have pricing info
> yet.
> >
> > for what its worth
> >
> > Dan
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> >
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Why never again?

- George

795. HIGH HF Mobile SWR Problems

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-12 18:36:57 UTC
From: Rick Denessen <TimberWolfe21@cox.net>
Message-ID: <dDyD8.61063$9c5.2639690@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4280

Hi, guys and gals.

Got a question/problem. I have a TS-50S, HUSTLER MO-2 and HUSTLER 15M radiator on top of the MO-2. Fantastic ground with Solid Copper bar attached firmly to the chassis. RG-8X at 15' long.

Problem -- Very Hight SWR at just over 2.5:1 with the fancy meter gizmo HRO has. Nothing will get it down, no adjustments longer or shorter.

Antenna is mounted at about 1.5-2" from right rear corner of the vehicle. Vehicle is a 2002 Saturn VUE (SUV). Base of antenna/mount is level with the bottom of the bumper. Radiator connects to the MO-2 at top of vehicle height.

Suggestions? The easier the better. If there's a way to fool it, I'll do it. If it means buying a 'match box' sorry, won't do it. It probably won't hurt the radio, but it ain't right.

Oh, the RG-8X is run along the inside of the vehicle, down the passenger side to the cargo compartment. This is also the same side as the antenna. Also, the RG-8X is run (cargo compartment) from the floor height up about 16" and back down to the bottom of the hatch area before extending from the vehicle just above the antenna mount by about 14".

Thanks, guys and gals. Have a pleasant day,

V/R
RickyDee
de N6WZP

796. FRG-9600 SOLD!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-12 18:57:37 UTC
From: radionurd@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020512145737.02606.00010949@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 4281

Thanks for all the replies, but the unit is now sold. Thanks!

797. Re: HIGH HF Mobile SWR Problems

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-13 01:41:02 UTC
From: Tony Bogusz <tony_b@ameritech.net>
Message-ID: <OQED8.13025$d7.4453680@newssrv26.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 4282

You may have to try some shunt-C across the feedpoint of your antenna to ground to fix your SWR problem through "impedance rotation". I need to do this with several of the Hamsticks I use when running mobile. My 20 Meter Hamstick wouldn't resonate any lower than a 2.5:1 SWR, no matter to what length I adjusted the stinger. My 20 Meter Hamstick needed 200 pF of shunt C at the base of the antenna. I simply clip-leaded it across my ball mount's ball and one of the ground screws. The SWR drops to 1:1 at resonance and stays below 1.5:1 across the entire 20 Meter voice band.

If you're running barefoot with your rig (100W out), 1000 Volt silver mica caps work fine for this.

For me, my 15/12/10 Meter Hamsticks didn't need any shunt C. However, I still do need 30 pF to make the 6 Meter Hamstick resonate to a 1:1 SWR. So as you can see, it's not always the case that the need for shunt-C goes away with higher operating frequencies. You'll just have to do some experimenting. Your antenna isn't necessarily bad....it could simply be an idiosyncracy of your particular mounting configuration.

MFJ and Valor make little boxes with several values of shunt C, switchable with a rotary selector for use on various bands or for weird matching needs. These cost between $15 and $25 and are UHF coax connector in and out. While I could have put one of these in the coaxial line near the end of my run at the ball mount, I'm satisfied with the clip leaded approach. It even holds on well at freeway speeds.

Good luck.

tony, W9MT

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> attached firmly to the chassis. RG-8X at 15' long.
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> Problem -- Very Hight SWR at just over 2.5:1 with the fancy meter gizmo
HRO
> has. Nothing will get it down, no adjustments longer or shorter.
>
> Antenna is mounted at about 1.5-2" from right rear corner of the vehicle.
> Vehicle is a 2002 Saturn VUE (SUV). Base of antenna/mount is level with
the
> bottom of the bumper. Radiator connects to the MO-2 at top of vehicle

> height.
>
> Suggestions? The easier the better. If there's a way to fool it, I'll do
> it. If it means buying a 'match box' sorry, won't do it. It probably
won't
> hurt the radio, but it ain't right.
>
> Oh, the RG-8X is run along the inside of the vehicle, down the passenger
> side to the cargo compartment. This is also the same side as the antenna.
> Also, the RG-8X is run (cargo compartment) from the floor height up about
> 16" and back down to the bottom of the hatch area before extending from
the
> vehicle just above the antenna mount by about 14".
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> Thanks, guys and gals. Have a pleasant day,
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> V/R
> RickyDee
> de N6WZP
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798. Re: Easy electronics question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-13 22:18:45 UTC
From: "Chris M. Bridges" <n4fan@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <IOWD8.19244$xO.15934750@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4283

First of all you need to transform impedence from 8 ohms to probably 1000
ohms with a audio transformer.
(available from radioshack) then you need to pad it down to a lower level
with a variable resistor probably 10 k ohms also Radio Shack.
N4FAN
Chris

"First Last" <nobody@nowhere.com> wrote in message
news:Xns920ADD382D901nobodynowherecom@63.240.76.16...
> I admit I'm no electronics expert by any means, so I humble myself before
> you learned ones...
>
> I'm connecting the 8 Ohm speaker output jack from a handheld radio to the
> "line in" on my computer, and the sound is a bit distorted. How do you
> turn an 8 Ohm speaker output to a line level output?
>
> Thanks!

799. Re: Monitoring Times Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-14 02:10:13 UTC
From: johnb <borregoj@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <3CE0737B.2050005@sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4284
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

could be a refresh thing....it was pulling from the cashe on your
computer or the network, not from the site.

SB wrote:

> "Dave Holford" wrote:
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>>I don't know what site you are looking at but the Monitoring Times
>>website current issue is May 2002. I just checked it.
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> WEIRD!
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> Now it IS updated.
>
> Ameritech has been having some goofy problems with its DNS, but I
> haven't a clue how that would have effected me getting to the proper
> page.
>

800. For Sale Ranger 2950DX!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-14 19:41:09 UTC
From: Keith Santo <keith@tnmail.com>
Message-ID: <pLdE8.3245$8M5.1204@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4285

I have for sale a mint condition Ranger 2950DX, new in the box. This radio was used in my car for a couple of months but removed daily. It will transmitt from 26 to 32 Mhz all modes (SSB, CW, AM, FM). Comes with box, manual, U/D Mic, mobile mounting bracket and all hardware. I just bought a new Yaesu FT100D and don't need this radio. Looking for a good home for it!
Want $220 plus $15 shipping. Will ship only to the US!
This little radio works great and will not be DOA. I made contacts all over the US on the 10m band also Japan.
Contact me at keith@tnmail.com or call 425-442-1011
I am good in the callbook site www.qrz.com.

May God Bless!

Keith Santo WB7RTT

801. FS: 6 Meter Project

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-15 02:22:05 UTC
From: Dan Reynolds <bcdlr@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <hDjE8.2351$gD6.3874@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 4287
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

This is the 6 M AM transceiver spotlighted by the IA QRP club a year or so ago. This is a rig designed by Rick Littlefield originally called the Nor'easter and published in Communications Quarterly. I have the board, the pots, a used CB modulation transformer, the modulator chip, the crystal filter (the good one), and the coil form. I am also including all documentation, addendums (some items in color), and a copy of the original article. I'll sell it for $20 shipped priority mail (lower 48). This is a really neat project. I've just never had the gumption to get it finished.

Dan KB9JLO

802. Re: For Sale Ranger 2950DX!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-15 02:36:16 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020514223616.25270.00008473@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4288

>I have for sale a mint condition Ranger 2950DX, new in the box.

>Want $220 plus $15 shipping. Will ship only to the US!

Hmm... $200 new at Copper Electronics...
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

803. I urgently need a crystal!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-15 06:23:26 UTC
From: mbdb@mighty.co.za
Message-ID: <3CE1FEDE.24CB@mighty.co.za>
Source record: 4286
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Hello,

I'm urgently in need of a crystal(s) in the range 15.020-15.060 Mhz. If anyone has something in this range (any size) and would be willing to part with it please e-mail me ASAP. I'm willing to pay, swap, or return the favour in some way!

Mike M0BST
mbdb@mighty.co.za

804. Re: Kenwood TS-2000 vs TS-870S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-15 10:49:38 UTC
From: GolFer <peantsgolfer@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ue4fs9rvcg2va1@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4289
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

I do not know, but I am only guessing.
The TS-2000 in newer, has fewer parts and cost them less to build.
"Ku3o" <gperk@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
news:27xy8.325584$K52.52401243@typhoon.tampabay.rr.com...
> Folks,
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> I am trying to decide between a TS-2000 and TS-870S.
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> Thanks for your comments...
> Ku3o
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805. Re: For Sale Ranger 2950DX!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-15 14:53:25 UTC
From: finaloutput@aol.coms
Message-ID: <20020515105325.20605.00006558@mb-mn.aol.com>
Source record: 4290

From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux (VHFRadioBuff):
"..I have for sale a mint condition Ranger 2950DX, new in the box. 26-32Mhz..."

Something seems wrong here. The 2950DX model is the newer SMT Dual Band rig with 12M (24Mhz) & 10M right from the factory, & mod to 24-30. (they sell for at least $300 new) The "older" discontinued "non-DX" 2950 models were 10M only, & opened to 26-32. (these are still at coppers for $200) Is this guy Advertizing a 2950DX & then gonna stick someone with a non-DX after the sale??

806. Re: For Sale Ranger 2950DX!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-15 16:25:08 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020515122508.07578.00008276@mb-ft.aol.com>
Source record: 4291

>The 2950DX model is the newer SMT Dual Band
>rig with 12M (24Mhz) & 10M right from the factory, & mod to 24-30. (they sell
>for at least $300 new) The "older" discontinued "non-DX" 2950 models were 10M
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confused. After all, he DID state the coverage is 26-32, not 24-30...
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Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
http://edfas.tripod.com

807. Re: For Sale Ranger 2950DX!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-16 07:12:36 UTC
From: Keith Santo <keith@tnmail.com>
Message-ID: <EZIE8.4632$ek5.107@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4292

Oops I did say it was a 2950DX which it is! It will cover 24 to 32 Mhz.
I haven't used it in a couple of months now so I was confused on that point.
No, I won't sell an old non DX version at the newer price. this one does
have the newer SMT technology and nicer GREEN display. It was fun listening
to all the cool stuff above 29.7 Mhz on FM and hearing all the little
municipalities and other dispatch services. I even have some in the memories
still! I have NO use to operate on the CB band since I can operate on 160m
on up!
Please feel free in asking any questions about this radio! By the way I am
only getting rid of an extra piece of ham gear so I can buy something else
ham radio related. It is used not new.

May God Bless!

Keith WB7RTT keith@tnmail.com

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808. vds icom 737

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-16 18:22:46 UTC
From: dechevaux@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020516142246.21474.00000139@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 4293

icom 737 auto et alim 32 amp alinco et ant verticale multibandes et boite manuelle yaesu fc 700 le tout etat neuf 1300 euros dept80

809. WTB: Motorola HT1000's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-16 21:56:24 UTC
From: bossyy <bossyy@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <cWVE8.42975$ja.10915089@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4294
Cross-posted to: nj.market,rec.misc.forsale,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Looking to buy Motorola Ht1000's
VHF
Will buy Large or small amount.
Please leave me price and deatails
through email
or call 973-857-1195 NJ
Rich
bossyy@optonline.net

810. VEC-212 Code Practice Oscillator and Keyer: How do I connect it?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-16 23:02:08 UTC
From: riws@msn.com
Message-ID: <f07eae2e.0205161502.64292cc@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4295

I am new to ham radio. I will soon be purchasing a 2/6 meter
transceiver from TenTec. It has a 4-pin microphone connector. If I
by a VEC-212 morse code keyer, how do I connect the keyer terminals to
my radio's 4-pin microphone connector? Thank you for your help. I
have tried many other places for help without any luck. The website
of the transceiver I am purchasing: http://www.tentec.com/TT526.htm

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Douglas Harrington
Seekonk, Massachusetts
RIWS@MSN.COM

811. Re: VEC-212 Code Practice Oscillator and Keyer: How do I connect it?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-17 11:25:22 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3CE4E8A1.A9CF2878@rac.ca>
Source record: 4296

Hi Doug
The VEC 212 does not need to be connected to the radio.
It is a self contained practice oscillator.
If you are planning to remove the oscillator connections and use the key separately with your rig for transmitting, you will find a key connector socket on rear of the
rig. It is marked KEY PTT on the page you linked to, and looks in the picture like a standard mono headphone connector.
73
Peter
VA3PKH

Douglas Harrington wrote:

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> Douglas Harrington
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812. Re: VEC-212 Code Practice Oscillator and Keyer: How do I connect it?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-17 19:16:14 UTC
From: riws@msn.com
Message-ID: <f07eae2e.0205171116.4c938107@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4297

Thank you for your help. If I EVER have any other issues to resolve regarding radio I will ALWAYS create a post here. It has been about two weeks now since I emailed a company that manufactures keyers. I never got a reply.

,73

813. Re: VEC-212 Code Practice Oscillator and Keyer: How do I connect it?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-17 19:21:05 UTC
From: riws@msn.com
Message-ID: <f07eae2e.0205171121.360132@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4298

Sorry to bother anyone again, but I have just one last question (remember, im new to this). Will the keyer come with the "plug" to insert into the KEY PTT port, or will I have to buy one and connect the wires to it? Thanks again.

Douglas Harrington
Seekonk, MA
RIWS@MSN.COM

814. Re: Kenwood TS-2000 vs TS-870S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-18 04:39:12 UTC
From: Ed Juge/NM <ed@juge.org>
Message-ID: <3ce5daf0.0@oracle.zianet.com>
Source record: 4299
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

I have only played with the radios in a dealer's showroom... not a good place to form important opinions. I was considering a 2000, especially at today's price levels. I thought the 870 receiver played better. The salesman agreed. Then when I read a 2000 review (ARRL?) it left the definite impression that the 2000 does "more stuff" than most other radios, and does most of them adequately... but is not particularly outstanding at any of them. That's pretty much the impression I had, though I'm sure many 2000 owners will take issue with that statement. "Different Strokes...."

When a manufacturer whacks prices like that it tells me one of two things. Either there is a better model on the horizon or the current one isn't selling as they had hoped. Same thing happened to me on the Icom 756PRO. I paid $2,900... now it's going for $1,800. VERY soon after, the PRO II showed up.

73... Ed, W5EJ

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815. Re: Kenwood TS-2000 vs TS-870S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-18 09:00:02 UTC
From: "maggie.carrington" <maggie.carrington@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <dKoF8.221$xY.40825@newsfep1-win.server.ntli.net>
Source record: 4200
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Hi There,

I have a TS870 and my mate has the TS2000.

We've compared them and to be honest. The 870 comes out on top for receive.

It's a case of horses for courses.

The 870 is a pure HF rig and all of the common used functions AGC, Power, Key Speed, etc are readily available on the front panel. Whereas on the 2000 they're tucked away in dual function (multi press) buttons.

I like the 870 because once the menu is set to your preferences all you have to do is use it. There are no multi-presses, etc.

Granted the 2000 has more whistles and bells. TNC, 2m, 70cm etc. but at the same time you have decide whether you want to risk putting all of your eggs in one basket.

I lke them both but I prefer the 870.

Cheers Chris.

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816. Re: HIGH HF Mobile SWR Problems

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-18 11:01:51 UTC
From: zl3ao2@i4free.co.nz
Message-ID: <1fef45f4.0205180301.4480bf1b@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4201

Greetings Rick,

I agree with Tony about your matching problem.
I would mount the whip antenna at roof height, on a short mast mounted from the
towing bar. This reduces the coupling to the bodywork, and improves the DX capability. For matching I would also consider a base loading inductor, tapped to match the feedpoint impedance. By using a matching unit at the base of antenna the transceiver only needs to make small corrections. In my case a iron powered core of 1" diameter with about seven twisted turns in bifilar configuration is fine. The windings should have 2 twists per inch, tapped alternative turns after third turn.

73, Winton, ZL3AO/m

817. Need A Good 2/6 Meter Transceiver $700 or Under

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 00:04:49 UTC
From: riws@msn.com
Message-ID: <f07eae2e.0205181604.17922c65@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4202

I am looking to find a good quality, 2 and 6 meter radio with a KEY PTT port for connecting a morse code keyer. My price range is $700 or under. I have seen, and am interested in, the one manufactured by TenTec (www.tentec.com). I have scouted the internet looking to see if I can find one slightly cheaper with the same basic features. I want a base, not mobile or portable. I own a Radio Shack model 20-043 omnidirectional discone antenna. I am new to ham radio and have no equipment yet (do police scanners count?!). All help and info is appreciated.

Douglas Harrington
Seekonk, Massachusetts
RIWS@MSN.COM

818. Threaet to Amateur Radio's Purpose of Existence

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 03:58:53 UTC
From: kc2fbv <kc2fbv@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <3ce72293@news1.specdata.com>
Source record: 4203

Threat to Amateur Radio

In a recent FM & Repeaters column (July 2001), Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, recently addressed what
could be the greatest underestimated threat to both our spectrum privileges and Amateur Radio itself.
In the article, "FCC creates new disaster communications system," it tells how the FCC intends to create
thirty-two radio channels that public safety officials would use to communicate between various nationwide
agencies directly.

This, in essence, is designed to remove third party relayers-Amateur Radio operators.

In part 97 Subpart -General Provisions 97.1 (Basis and purpose) the FIRST item listed is as follows:
"(a) Recognition and enhancement of the value of the amateur service to the public as a voluntary
noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency
communications."
To that end, RACES (Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service) is provided for by FCC regulations
(97.407).

The FCC, by creating and implementing this new 32-channel inter-service communications system, will
ELIMINATE Amateur Radio's PRIMARY reason for existence.

I realize that one of the greatest ongoing debates is whether HAM radio is a service or a hobby.
Well, as I see it, Amateur Radio is (in accordance with FCC regulations) a SERVICE that, to our advantage, has a
hobby side.

You might ask, "Why does it matter whether it's referred to as a hobby or a service?"
My answer is simple.

A SERVICE is publicly viewed as VITAL and a hobby is seen as JUST a hobby.
A hobby, in the public's eye, is done SOLELY for fun and is of no enduring value to society as a whole.

This new 32-channel system, besides being potentially detrimental to Amateur Radio, will require
personnel and additional equipment. The additional equipment will require

repair and maintenance and personnel will require training to properly operate and maintain the added equipment. All of these things will cost the taxpayers millions of dollars by the time it's fully implemented (tentatively by 2006).

Why 2006? The spectrum that the government intends to use for this system is currently used by
broadcasters operating analog UHF TV stations between channels 60 through 69. The government has to
first get broadcasters off the frequencies so that reallocation can commence.

A far less expensive alternative to this would be for the U.S. government to openly endorse Amateur
Radio.

What are the advantages to endorsing Amateur Radio?

Amateurs are self-trained-no additional taxes for training.
Equipment is amateur owned & operated-no need for added equipment.
Equipment maintained by the operators-not taxpayer money.
Citizen's get involved-no increase in taxes for services.
No waiting until 2006-amateurs are here NOW!

I urge EVERY amateur-ESPECIALLY those involved in public service (NTS, ARES, RACES) to
write a letter urging your public officials to REJECT the new FCC decision and to affirm their support of
Amateur Radio.

Which public officials would I suggest sending letters to?
Whether by mail or e-mail, I would suggest writing the following:

Senators
Representatives
Governor
FCC (FCC Chairman Michael K. Powell)
President George W. Bush
Vice-President Dick Cheney
First Lady Laura Bush
Mrs. Lynn Cheney
Homeland Security (Thomas Ridge)

Take a moment to write each of the above. Ask them to REJECT the proposed 32-channel inter-
service communication system and to fully affirm their support for the use of Amateur Radio instead.

It's economical & it makes good sense.
KC2FBV

819. Tower advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 05:37:17 UTC
From: joeryahoocom@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <e08922c6.0205182137.3591c434@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4204

I recently bought a used 30' tower that came in three 10-foot sections, with a base plate and two brackets to mount to the side of my house. Each section mounts atop the other and they're then bolted together. There's an antenna, that came with the tower, to go on the top.

I can deal with preparing the base and securing the base plate, what I'm wondering about is how to get the sections of tower up? That is, once I mount the first 10 foot section, what's the best way to get the other two up, being as I'm not the strongest person in the world! <g> I can get my roommate's dad to help as long as we have half a clue what we're doing . .

thanks,

Joe W9TXU

820. Re: Tower advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 06:17:06 UTC
From: Bill Nelson <billn@spock.peak.org>
Message-ID: <ac7g12$s17$12@quark.scn.rain.com>
Source record: 4205

Joer <joeryahoocom@yahoo.com> wrote:

> I can deal with preparing the base and securing the base plate, what
> I'm wondering about is how to get the sections of tower up? That is,
> once I mount the first 10 foot section, what's the best way to get the
> other two up, being as I'm not the strongest person in the world! <g>
> I can get my roommate's dad to help as long as we have half a clue
> what we're doing . .

The standard method, aside from hiring a crane, is to use a Gin Pole.
It is not a recommended method for the novice - and requires at least
one other helper.

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Bill Nelson (billn@peak.org)

821. Re: Threaet to Amateur Radio's Purpose of Existence

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 13:33:23 UTC
From: "Stephen C. Robbins" <srobbinsNOSPAMDUDES@netacc.net>
Message-ID: <3ce7a98d$1@news.netacc.net>
Source record: 4206

"kc2fbv" <kc2fbv@arrl.net> wrote in message
news:3ce72293@news1.specdata.com...
> Threat to Amateur Radio
>
> In the article, "FCC creates new disaster communications system," it tells
> how the FCC intends to create
> thirty-two radio channels that public safety officials would use to
> communicate between various nationwide
> agencies directly.
>

These additional channels are intended for inter-agency communications. Example: Secret Service/FBI/State Police. Ad Hoc networks could be tailored to fit the situation. Comms would be direct, not relayed. Amateur operators do not fit in the picture. Not likely that hams would be given a seat in a Secret Service communications van coordinating advance security for a presidential arrival at an incident scene.

Comms would often be encrypted. Hams are not allowed encryption and even if they were, how would you integrate them into the key distribution system in a secure manner? Fort Meade would cringe!

Training? What? A FEMA employee would hit a button on his console, push mic button, talk. Nothing special about that. An hour to familiarize them with another piece of equipment.

Reliability? In an emergency, how many hams will show up? Can you count on 10 or a hundred? It is an unknown factor and has no role in upper echelon emergency planning.

Amateur radio and RACES will always have a roll in public service but it is seperate from the plan being discussed.

Steve

822. ??????2m Weird reciever????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 16:51:32 UTC
From: Steve KC2GOG <kc2gog@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <oKQF8.75695$ja.19937502@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4207

A few days ago i came across a website that had different homebrewed radios and such. the most interesting thing i saw was a cavity tuned to two meters, and the author used it as a near field reciever. The contraption was built out of a coffee can and had a screw type device at the top to tune it. The only "electronics" was a 1N34 diode. Has anyone else seen something like this or know about this website. Its not really sensitive, the author used it to monitor his repeater. thanks in advance

steve KC2GOG

823. Re: Tower advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 17:58:43 UTC
From: sweepea@kickapoo.com
Message-ID: <ac8p4j$7fa$0@198.69.29.144>
Source record: 4208

joeryahoocom@yahoo.com (Joer) wrote:

> I recently bought a used 30' tower that came in three 10-foot
> sections, with a base plate and two brackets to mount to the side of
> my house. Each section mounts atop the other and they're then bolted
> together. There's an antenna, that came with the tower, to go on the
> top.
>
> I can deal with preparing the base and securing the base plate, what
> I'm wondering about is how to get the sections of tower up? That is,
> once I mount the first 10 foot section, what's the best way to get the
> other two up, being as I'm not the strongest person in the world! <g>
> I can get my roommate's dad to help as long as we have half a clue
> what we're doing . .
>
> thanks,
>
> Joe W9TXU

A 30 foot tower is easily raised as a single unit. With Rohn 25 you typically raise the first 40 feet all together, tie your first level guys in place around the 30-35 foot area, and then proceed to gin-pole your way up. I'd consider mounting the beam antenna/rotator onto the 30 foot section while it is still 'on the ground' and then raising the finished unit. You will need several ~50 ft lengths of good 1/2 inch line of high quality and a few blocks/pulleys. A couple stages of scaffolding will be helpful- these can be rented. Tie off both side lines (those @ 90 degrees to the raising) permanently beforehand, since they will not tighten much at all. Then the crew can concentrate on pulling while one worker has the safety line under complete control, ready to tie off at final position.

40 ft or less we call a 'base'. <g>

Bill K2AME

824. Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 19:09:57 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205191109.29b90411@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4209

I am trying to get onto the ARRL website, but it isn't coming up! Did something happen to it?

825. Re: Need A Good 2/6 Meter Transceiver $700 or Under

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 20:08:15 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205191208.7e2d9309@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4210

riws@msn.com (Douglas Harrington) wrote in message
news:<f07eae2e.0205181604.17922c65@posting.google.com>...
> I am looking to find a good quality, 2 and 6 meter radio with a KEY
> PTT port for connecting a morse code keyer. My price range is $700 or
> under. I have seen, and am interested in, the one manufactured by
> TenTec (www.tentec.com). I have scouted the internet looking to see
> if I can find one slightly cheaper with the same basic features. I
> want a base, not mobile or portable. I own a Radio Shack model 20-043
> omnidirectional discone antenna. I am new to ham radio and have no
> equipment yet (do police scanners count?!). All help and info is
> appreciated.
>
> Douglas Harrington
> Seekonk, Massachusetts
> RIWS@MSN.COM

To be honest with you, you'd probably be better off getting seperate
radios. The RCI-5054 6m all mode radio (with key port) is sold for
$300 and you can probably find a good quality 2m all mode for $200 or
less. The 5054 is a mobile radio though, not a base like you want.

I think TenTec may be the only company offering a 6/2 all mode right
now, other than the HF/VHF radios, which tend to run quite a bit more
than you're looking to pay.

826. Re: ??????2m Weird reciever????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 20:45:50 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205191245.53bff5bb@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4211

"Steve KC2GOG" <kc2gog@amsat.org> wrote in message
news:<oKQF8.75695$ja.19937502@news02.optonline.net>...
> A few days ago i came across a website that had different
> homebrewed radios and such. the most interesting thing i saw was a cavity
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> the top to tune it. The only "electronics" was a 1N34 diode. Has anyone else
> seen something like this or know about this website. Its not really
> sensitive, the author used it to monitor his repeater. thanks in advance
>
> steve KC2GOG

What's the website?

827. Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-19 21:24:15 UTC
From: N9NWO <n9nwo@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3KUF8.22455$8M5.17288@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4212
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I was unable to attend this year due to military duties.
What are the reports from Dayton?

Other than rain, what was the big news?

Any good deals like we had last year?
New equipment? (the VX-7R was selling
for about $379).

828. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 01:16:57 UTC
From: KC8SSG <kc8ssg@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <d8YF8.1345$Z46.13724@news>
Source record: 4213
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Well this was my FIRST Dayton and my FIRST hamvention and I had a blast! The
weather was nice saturday and I had some money to spend. I couldn't believe
it It was great!Not too busy. I really enjoyed it.
"N9NWO" <n9nwo@amsat.org> wrote in message
news:3KUF8.22455$8M5.17288@nwrddc01.gnilink.net...
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> What are the reports from Dayton?
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> for about $379).
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829. Re: Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 02:57:33 UTC
From: Neil <kvrs1122@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <CzZF8.279950$tt4.19143596@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4214

http://www.arrl.org/

"vhfradiobuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.com> wrote in message
news:5e5fccab.0205191109.29b90411@posting.google.com...
> I am trying to get onto the ARRL website, but it isn't coming up! Did
> something happen to it?

830. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 04:28:28 UTC
From: dandowell@sprintmail.com
Message-ID: <fa58693a.0205192028.6e3d6171@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4215
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I want to know if any one has seen the new BearCat 785 digital scanner yet.

Ask them when it will be available. PLEASE!!!!!

Thanks.

Dan
kd5som

831. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 11:23:44 UTC
From: DPH <rally2xs@compuserve.com>
Message-ID: <8blheuof0k50f26inenor0jg5t8p64eedh@4ax.com>
Source record: 4216
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

On Sun, 19 May 2002 21:24:15 GMT, "N9NWO" <n9nwo@amsat.org> wrote:

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>for about $379).

Dayton was, as usual, outstanding.

The Hamvention was less well attended than those that used to occur at the end of April, but that is a _good_ thing - for us. I'm sure its not making as much money for DARA as those former Hamventions, but the lower attendance meant you could get close to things and see stuff. You could actually get to touch the radios in the big-3 manufacturer's booths without elbowing people or standing in a line for 15 minutes.

I saw maybe 60 % of the flea market by about noon on Friday. Then I came inside and stayed, since I was looking for stuff in there, and then it started raining so going outside would not have been productive - the vendors generally shut down during the rain except those with tents. It was a really cold rain, too, so unless you brought real good raingear and an array of cold weather clothing, you wouldn't have been comfortable.

On-site tickets were $22. Not too bad for 3 days, but much grumbling was heard about 3 things:

1) The programs don't come with the ticket any more - that essentially raises the price of the Hamvention to $27 unless you downloaded all the interesting forum info and vendor map info from the web site (not sure if the vendor map was available on the web).

2) The buses from the mall were $2 instead of free. Lotsa grumbling.

3) The private-owned parking across from the Hamvention went from $5 to $8 a day this year.

Other downers: The big tent at the corner of the flea market was replaced with several smaller tents. These smaller tents didn't have all that the big tent used to - Radio Shack, for instance.

A possible contributing reason for the lower participation - there was hype of extrordinary security measures - "no knives", "bomb sniffing dogs", etc. (I don't go places like that myself - too much hassle, as I routinely carry a pocket knife - and I think such measures are nonsense since many other things can be made into effective weapons) - but then remembered that stuff like that is _sold_ there, so such measures would be impossible - like "no guns" at a gun show... is a 1 1/4" combination wrench a weapon? Sure it is - and of course there was no such extensive security, although there were officers with dogs - they just were never seen sniffing anything. Probably ordinary K-9 units.

The common reason for less attendence that was heard was "ebay".

My take on that is that you aren't going to get a new radio that goes for $899 at the Milwaukee AES for $699 from AES on ebay like you can at the Hamvention. That was an example heard via "on the road" chatter as I was driving back to Virginia.

Conclusion: Dayton is still "The Big One" and is a more user-friendly Hamvention than ones of old that drew 37,000 people. Those were impossibly crowded.

Dave Head
K8DH

832. Re: ??????2m Weird reciever????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 12:14:40 UTC
From: jim.bolinger@lintek.aeroflex.com
Message-ID: <8d5ec8a2.0205200414.774a7d2e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4217

"Steve KC2GOG" <kc2gog@amsat.org> wrote in message
news:<oKQF8.75695$ja.19937502@news02.optonline.net>...
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> homebrewed radios and such. the most interesting thing i saw was a cavity
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> contraption was built out of a coffee can and had a screw type device at
> the top to tune it. The only "electronics" was a 1N34 diode. Has anyone else
> seen something like this or know about this website. Its not really
> sensitive, the author used it to monitor his repeater. thanks in advance
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> steve KC2GOG

Sounds like an old fashioned crystal diode receiver built for 2 meters.

Jim
N8EE

833. Re: Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 16:15:54 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205200815.6f2f1383@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4218

I know what the address is, but it still isn't coming up. What happened to it?

834. WTB Rohde & Schwarz receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 16:26:59 UTC
From: Dave Schneider <dschneider2@hvc.rr.com>
Message-ID: <nt9G8.80620$2G1.29016196@typhoon.nyroc.rr.com>
Source record: 4219

Looking for high end rohde receiver HF

835. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 18:32:16 UTC
From: Jake Brodsky <frussle@erols.com>
Message-ID: <dqdieusapuiljee7rea521o5ljssvme4le@4ax.com>
Source record: 4220
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Interesting.

The guy who had the goat-cam last year traded his goat in for a rooster. Since our tailgate was adjacent to his, we got to make fun of it too.

I purchased one of the first of the new Kanga KK7B R2Pro kits. I'm well aware that although a couple of prototypes of this kit have been successfully built, I'm mostly a guinea pig... I plan to get started on it this week and I'll let y'all know what I think of it.

Fun stuff that lots of folks pointed at: a 25 watt Copper Vapor Laser. No I'd never heard of one before either. I don't have the slightest idea what it's good for except that it was very large and very heavy (large and heavy enough that even a full sized pickup couldn't get it home without a good sized trailer).

For those of you who want to own the ultimate surveillance receiver: AOR was showing their AOR-ONE. It covers 10 kHz to 3.3 GHz multi-mode in 1 Hz steps. They're asking for something like $4k for this beauty. No, it's not blocked for cellular. No, it's not for sale in the USA (wince), without authorization.

I got a kick out of Yaesu's display of the VX-5R --underwater and working! Personally, I'd have added a few goldfish to the tank just for fun...

Lots more to report. Those are just a few hints of the insanity.

73,

Jake Brodsky, AB3A mailto:frussle@erols.com
"Beware of the massive impossible!"

836. Re: Kenwood TS-2000 vs TS-870S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 19:05:16 UTC
From: n4gi@tampabay.rr.com
Message-ID: <97586e20.0205201105.577459bc@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4221
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

I heard the receiver is quite LOUSY on the 2000 (particulary vhf).
The 870 is a good radio, I felt the DSP makes things a sound little
"ringy" though.

ymmv
blake n4gi

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> > > but the 870 has the higher price tag?

837. Re: Kenwood TS-2000 vs TS-870S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 19:56:18 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <CxcG8.1060$mN3.873@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4222
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

The TS-2000 has as good or better sensitivity and selectivity figures as any of the dedicated SAT rigs, and has 5-10 dB better image rejection than any of them. If the specs are real, then the TS-2000 is as good or better on VHF than the Kenwood TS-790, Yaesu FT-847, Icom 910, or Yaesu FT-736. The only SAT rig that I found (so far) that had a better receive spec was the Icom 970 with receive sensitivity of .11 microvolts, as compared to the typical .16 microvolts of the others.

(I have been shopping for a new SAT rig... :>)

73 de W6DKN

"Blake Meinecke" <n4gi@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message news:97586e20.0205201105.577459bc@posting.google.com...
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838. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 21:26:33 UTC
From: Rollo&#65533; <Rollo_member@newsguy.com>
Message-ID: <acbpm9030uv@drn.newsguy.com>
Source record: 4223
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

In article <dqdieusapuiljee7rea521o5ljssvme4le@4ax.com>, Jake says...
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>I got a kick out of Yaesu's display of the VX-5R --underwater and
>working! Personally, I'd have added a few goldfish to the tank just
>for fun...
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Yeah, I accidentally left my VX-5R sitting on the car yesterday during a surprise rain shower. Today I worked 2 UO-14 satellite passes with it. It works fine.

(WHEW!)

Rugged little rig.

839. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 22:16:48 UTC
From: RV <vegar@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <acbsjt$c0t$1@nntp9.atl.mindspring.net>
Source record: 4224
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I also enjoyed Hamvention again this year (last year was my first), but....what I found most dissappointing was the apparent lack of interest in scanning/swl. The listener's forum on Sunday AM (not exactly the best schedule slot) had at most about 30 people attend. Out of all those thousands??? The Mobile HF forum, ATV forum, etc were packed.

Are we really such a small group of folks? Also disappointing was the very few used scanners, decoders, etc to be found out in the flea market. Yes, the deals and availability of new, current equipment were good, but where are all the killer deals on older equipment? Scanner Master, Radio Stop, Computer Int, and CAT were present as was Pop Comm. But where was Grove Enterprises, Ham Station, or any of the other great scanner dealers? I would think Monitoring Times could add to their subscription list and so could Scanning USA?

Is there no world class event for listeners?

RV (KD5LJK)

PS: Correction to some of the other posts - the underwater radios were the VX-7R - neat looking rig.

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840. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 23:01:37 UTC
From: Jesse <jplummer@bluefrognet.net>
Message-ID: <3CE98051.AEF79BE7@bluefrognet.net>
Source record: 4226
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I bet those radios weren't in the water. i remember a display for water resistant watches and saw the man pull them out of a dry tank behind the water. either way, they are supposedly water proof radios and my friend got one there for about 250.00,
I got several good deals, must have brought in 500 bucks worth of stuff for 300 bucks... The best two days I ever spent as far back as I can remember, except for when some idiot tried to lift my wallet...several radios were stolen and some vendors inside had their setup to where they couldnt watch there stuff well and I saw a couple of walk off's there... every crowd has them...

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> Rugged little rig.

841. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 23:02:15 UTC
From: "Edward L. Dowdy" <ellhatespamdowdy@ctscomp.com>
Message-ID: <XffG8.48392$L76.51936@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4225
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Ham Station was there. Unless that was Dan's clone I talked to. :)

73,
Ed KA9EES

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842. VEC-212 Code Keyer; One More Question...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 23:23:42 UTC
From: riws@msn.com
Message-ID: <f07eae2e.0205201523.6066fcd1@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4227

I had previously asked about the VEC-212 with code keyer. I understand that I need to get a transceiver with a key port on it but do not understand if this keyer comes with the "plug" to insert into the port. Do I have to buy that seperate and connect the wires to it?

Douglas Harrington
Seekonk, MA
RIWS@MSN.COM

843. N6WWW Home Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 23:28:25 UTC
From: Neon Moon <neonmoonx@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <tEfG8.10824$zV.61875@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4228
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

I actually posted this in a reply message in a thread, but thought I'd make a more general announcement as an invitation to everyone.

I just finished my first ham radio page. Pretty simple stuff, but some nice links to some of my favorite QRP and Homebew sites amongst other stuff (a ULS link, and some other good ham radio pages on CW). Included also is a bit of my ham history (i'm a new ham, so it's a short history! LOL)

Let me know what you think!

Jason - N6WWW - November Six World Wide Web

And for those on IRLP, you can catch me on Node 396

(I'm actually monitoring right now for those hanging out online
It's 4:25pm Pacific 5/20/02 right now)

844. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-20 23:33:57 UTC
From: RV <vegar@sprintmail.com>
Message-ID: <acc14a$nk8$1@slb0.atl.mindspring.net>
Source record: 4229
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Oops - my mistake - I was too cheap to buy a program so I didn't have a definitive list of dealers - just what I saw or recognized from walking around.

I also failed to mention Universal Radio who I believe show up every year.

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845. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-21 01:31:37 UTC
From: "Ed G." <Spurious@_REMOVE_StarBand.net>
Message-ID: <Xns9214BC8EEC932Frog207Junocom@148.78.248.76>
Source record: 4230
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

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> for about $379).

I heard Yaesu equipment was selling at rediculously low prices,
(FT817 $499. FT100D $540?). Yaesu also showed off a new portable/base
radio, the FT897. Looked real nice.

Ed WB6SAT

846. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-21 02:59:50 UTC
From: "J. Duffy Beischel" <jduffy@zoomtown.com>
Message-ID: <ueje6dedf5pgab@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4231
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

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Even with the bad weather, flea market prices are too high and the fools won't really negotiate down to reasonable prices for used gear. In some cases it's actually cheaper to buy new.

A lot of vendors that normally attend were missing or hiding real well. No Universal. No Jun's (Ham City) and a few others that usually attend were no where to be found.

The VX7R's were in water. The mics were actually connected and went right into the water so you could use the handhelds if you wanted. Oh, and R&L was selling them for $339.

One reason I think attendance is down is the lack of innovation in products. Much of the stuff is the same old thing with different packaging. I have to commend Yaesu for at least trying and every year they seem to have something new. Icom is talking about some new digital stuff, but I'm sure it is a ways off.

The Ten Tec Orion is nice, but the price is out of sight. Their new long awaited QRP rig started at $595, then went to $695 and now they are taking orders for an August delivery at $795! Too much money, not enough rig.

SGC used to have a good rig with the 2020, but I noticed they screwed that up and changed the fixed SO239 on the back of the rig to a pigtail. Another component to fail. Also they took away the power plug and now have a pigtail for the power lead. Yikes, on an HF rig?

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Special note to the vendors. Try to look excited about your products when folks stop by to check out your products. I have a fortune in Kantronics gear so I stopped bu to chat. Early on Friday so they could not have been that tired yet...well I asked about intelligent tracking (APRS) for the KPC3+. Got a ho-hum answer that they're not going to do anything.

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-21 03:14:24 UTC
From: "Edward L. Dowdy" <ellhatespamdowdy@ctscomp.com>
Message-ID: <kYiG8.75134$Po6.121550@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4232
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I opted not to buy a program also. Considering I bought a MKIIG for $699 I
probably should have.

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848. Re: Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-21 05:18:49 UTC
From: Veverka <wd4oay@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <PBkG8.8913$mG.2476548@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4233

It went to Dayton for the weekend.
"vhfradiobuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.com> wrote in message
news:5e5fccab.0205200815.6f2f1383@posting.google.com...
> I know what the address is, but it still isn't coming up. What happened to
it?

849. Re: VEC-212 Code Keyer; One More Question...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-21 10:53:05 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3CEA2711.B17AE078@rac.ca>
Source record: 4234

Hi again Doug

You will have to attach your own connector to the key.
As I mentioned before the VEC-212 is connected to an oscillator.
You will have to disconnect it and install a plug to match whatever radio
you
purchase.
73
Peter
VA3PKH

Douglas Harrington wrote:

> I had previously asked about the VEC-212 with code keyer. I
> understand that I need to get a transceiver with a key port on it but
> do not understand if this keyer comes with the "plug" to insert into
> the port. Do I have to buy that seperate and connect the wires to it?
>
> Douglas Harrington
> Seekonk, MA
> RIWS@MSN.COM

850. FS: Old Radio Books

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-21 21:54:27 UTC
From: oldbooks78@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020521175427.20039.00000160@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 4235

I currently have for sale a variety of older radio-related books. Postage is $2 for the first book, and $1 for each additional item (Media Mail within the US, at cost elsewhere). The books are:

"The Radio Amateur's Handbook, The Standard Manual of Amateur Radio Communication" 47th Edition, published by the American Radio Relay League, 1970. The 600+ page softbound book is in good condition. There is a 4 inch tear along the rear cover spine, and a few bent page tips, and a brown magic marker smudge on the page ends. Internals are clean with no page tears or pen marks, and a strong binding. A good vintage reading copy. Available for $6.

Terman, Frederick Emmons "Radio Engineering" published by McGraw-Hill, 1947. Third edition. The 969 page hardbound book is in very good condition, clean with no page tears or pen marks except for a previous owners name and address inside the front cover. Strong binding and very clean covers. A thorough treatment of radio and communications including ultra-high-frequency and microwave techniques. A very nice copy. Available for $15.

"Reference Data for Radio Engineers" Second Edition, published by the Federal Telephone and Radio Corporation in 1947. The 322 page hardbound book is in good+ condition. Clean with no page tears or pen marks except for a previous owners name and address inside the front cover. "The present edition has been greatly enlarged and a subject index included. Chapters on transformers and room acoutics have been added. The material on radio propagatiion and radio noise has been revised. The data on cathode-ray tubes have been considerably expanded." Available for $9.

Everitt, William Littell "Communication Engineering" published by McGraw-Hill, 1937. The 727 page hardbound book is in about very good condition. Clean with no page tears or pen marks except for a previous owners name and address inside the front cover, and a few passages underlined in pencil. A nice early text on the science of the radio. Available for $9.

Measurements Development Laboratory of the Sperry Gyroscope Company, "Microwave Transmission Design Data" published by the Sperry Gyroscope Company, 1944. Publication No. 23-80. The 215 page hardbound book is in very good condition, clean with no page tears or pen marks, and a strong binding. Originally issued during WWII as a "confidential" document. Chapter topics include General formulae for concentric lines; Attenuation in concentric lines; Reflections and impedance matching; General formulae for wave guides; Attenuation in wave guides; Reflections and impedance matching in wave guides; Wave guide tees and bends; Wave guides filled with dielectric material; Dielectric material: Cavity resonators; and Measurement techniques. A neat early book on ultra-high frequency radio waves. Available for $7.

Massey, H.S.W. and R.L.F. Boyd "The Upper Atmosphere" published by Hutchinson of London, 1958. The 333 page hardbound book is in good+ condition. It is an ex-library copy from a corporate library, with a card pouch inside the rear cover, and the usual stamps and stickers. The rear inside hinge is split, but the cover is securely attached. Otherwise in decent condition. Available for $6.

Hall, Gerald L. (editor) "The ARRL Antenna Compendium (Vol. 3)" published in Newington, CT, U.S.A.: American Radio Relay League, Incorporated, 1992. ISBN: 0872594017 The 236 page softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out. Lots of useful information on radio antennas. Available for $7.

Erwin, David G4LQ1 "HF Antenna Collection" published by the Radio Society of Great Britain, 1994. ISBN 1872309089 The 233 page softbound book is in fine condition, fresh and clean inside and out. Lots of useful information on radio antennas. Available for $7.

If interested in any of the above, please email to "Oldbooks78@aol.com" to reserve. Thanks.

Dave

851. FA: Back Issues of Monitoring Times & Popular Communictions Only 5 hrs. left

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-21 23:16:33 UTC
From: Randy <NoSpamAllowed@MyEmail.com>
Message-ID: <lzAG8.79057$t8_.65919@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4236
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

Only 5 hrs 8 min
http://page.auctions.shopping.yahoo.com/ca/auction/65850518

Randy

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Scanning the Upper Ottawa Valley
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ScanRenfrewCounty

Learn to broadcast your scanner on the internet
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LiveScannerAudio

852. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 00:37:06 UTC
From: DPH <rally2xs@compuserve.com>
Message-ID: <6noleu8kr1elgtjmu2p7kp7gn1i35ib3p5@4ax.com>
Source record: 4237
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

On Mon, 20 May 2002 22:59:50 -0400, "J. Duffy Beischel"
<jduffy(nospam)@zoomtown.com> wrote:

>I love Dayton, and living in Cincinnati makes it real easy. I was
>disappointed. One, I'm getting real tired of the rain and cold.

Where's global warming when ya really need it, huh?

>Weather
>was better when they held it a few weeks earlier at the very end of April.

Disagree. Been going since early 70's. I got rained on a _lot_, and
it was almost never a warm rain.

>Ticket prices are too high.

Try going to Kings Island if you think this is high, and the
Hamvention is better.

>No program anymore and increase in parking. No
>wonder attendance was down. Why charge for the program when the ads they
>sell are paying for the darn thing to be printed?

I noticed a lot _less_ ads in it. Mfgr attendance was somewhat less,
too, so there were fewer of those to place the ads. CATS, the guy
that repairs the rotators wasn't there. The guys from Indy selling
software weren't there, either. The big Radio Shack salespoint in the
big tent in the flea market wasn't there, and neither was the tent.

>Next year I wonder what
>manufacturer is going to pay to run an ad that most people won't see because
>they are going to fork out money to buy it!

Fewer. Charging for the program _is_ a mistake, I think, but not a
deterrence to me. Heck, I drove 1100 miles round trip for this - an
extra $5 doesn't even show on my radar screen.

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>its old location years ago. Used to be well attended. They kept moving it
>around town so it lost its identity. Nothing like it used to be. I hope
>the Hamvention folks don't screw up what they built.

Ebay is said to be screwing up the Hamvention the most, and probably
the Cincinnati event as well.

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>won't really negotiate down to reasonable prices for used gear.

I saw a real nice roller inductor go for $20, after the guy had wanted
$30. I got an LS-120 superdisk drive for my computer for $35 in the
flea market. 6 split nuts to hook up ground wire for $0.25 a pair -
try to find those at Lowes or Home Depot for that price - forget it.
Flea market is OK by me. You may have run into a few people with gold
fever...

>In some
>cases it's actually cheaper to buy new.

People pay over retail on ebay all the time. Go figger.

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Yep.

>No
>Universal.

Universal was there - the store and the tower manufacturer - store had
really small booth tho.

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>where to be found.

I think the attendance was probably less than 20,000. You need more
than that to draw the smaller players.

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>commend Yaesu for at least trying and every year they seem to have something
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I like the new TS-2000 Kenwood - I have one out in the Jeep right
now...

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>capabilities that make it very useful, fun and interesting.

Yes, even I noticed APRS this time. First time I found out that you
don't need a computer in the car to use it. Any explanation of APRS
you read starts out with mapping software, etc. which leads one to
believe you need a computer in the car. For that reason, I wasn't
interested. Now, however, I'm thinking my old HT would make a good
APRS xcvr. Just wonder how I can carry on a regular 2 m QSO with that
thing also blatting in the near vicinity. Duplexer?

>Hats off to the Yaesu gentleman (Japanese) that greated me when I went to
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>radio/electronics/computer show? And enough of the trinket vendors.

Well, I'll take _any_ income to the Hamvention that supports it. We could lose it, ya know! Hara Arena can't be cheap to rent. The flea market _wasn't_ sold out from what I could see, and the inside had space too. If you didn't have the sunglasses bunch there, then you'd have bare pavement not contributing anything, and the ticket price to get in would likely go up some more.

>I just wish the Dayton folks and the vendors will sit down and talk about
>improving this event before is declines to the point where they can't get
>their audience back.

I can't see anything they've done that could be construed as a fault. I believe that all the higher prices are likely necessary to keep the show going at all. I think that they should maybe have tacked on $2 or so to the ticket price and gave a free program with it instead of what they did - that would have eliminated the loud and obnoxious, in 1 case at least, people selling the programs, as well as the unlikelyhood that those sellers were doing it for free. They probably got $1 or so out of each one.

>Of course many of the ills can be cured with more hams.

Kill ebay and we'll talk... <GGG>

Dave Head

853. Re: Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 01:16:39 UTC
From: Tom Currie <N4AOF@iglou.com>
Message-ID: <3CEAF177.D06114B1@iglou.com>
Source record: 4238

vhfradiobuff wrote:
>
> I am trying to get onto the ARRL website, but it isn't coming up! Did
> something happen to it?

Apparently there have been some nameserver problems for the site. I can reach it easily from home via my ISP, but it can't be found at all if I try to access it from at work using milnet. It isn't blocked or filtered (those give different errors) it is just a matter of the nameserver not finding any record DNS record to convert the URL to an IP address.

You might try entering the IP 216.167.96.124 directly to see if you can reach the site that way.

854. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 01:30:33 UTC
From: Joe Leikhim <jleikhim@nettally.com>
Message-ID: <3CEAF4B9.18EFB11@nettally.com>
Source record: 4239
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Maybe the way around it is to have some e-bay auctions on site. Bidders could view the stuff, then run back to their laptops (or nearby computer kiosks) and put in a bid. The auctions could run 2 to 48 hours.

Laugh about it, but time will come when you will get outbid by somebody using a PDA and Bluetooth standing right behind you. The dealers would love it.

DPH wrote:

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"Jazz is not dead. It just smells funny." -F.Z.

855. Re: contest VHF

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 02:35:24 UTC
From: johnb <borregoj@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <3CEB0569.40704@sbcglobal.net>
Source record: 4240

ty for that, was to lazy to go translate it myself

kc2fbv wrote:

> "F5SIE" <f5sie@aol.com> wrote in message
> news:20020518022130.05311.00000329@mb-fv.aol.com...
>
>>Bonjour ,je cherche pour les concours VHF / UHF / 50Mhz un logiciel de
>>
> gestion
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>>de concours.
>>Simple,mais fiable !!!
>>Merci de me laisser votre reponse ï¿½ F5SIE@aol.com
>>Meilleurs 73
>>Martial
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>
> In case anyone cannot read the previous post that was written in French ...
> here's a translation from a translation site http://babel.altavista.com/
> -------------------------
> Translated...
>
> Hello,
> I am seeking management software of VHF/UHF contesting (incl. 50 MHz) that
> is simple but reliable.
> Thank You!
> Please reply to F5SIE@aol.com
> Best 73,
> Martial
>
> Hope this helps bridge the language barrier for some.
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>

856. Change Wattage

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 02:50:17 UTC
From: Joe P <joepole2@cerp.net>
Message-ID: <JHDG8.114599$Q42.6024175@typhoon.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 4241

I have a couple cheap Uniden GMRS radios (.5 watt)

It is my understanding that GMRS can legally be used at 2 watts.

Is it possible to change that to a 1 or 2 watt transmitter? I'm not afraid to use a soldering iron, and have quite a bit of experience doing so, but have little experience with radios.

I'm not worried about battery use, as I will be using rechargables and will also be using the radios attached to a vehicle most of the time.

JoeP
joepole2@cerp.net

857. N6WWW - New Message Board Added on my ham page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 05:41:05 UTC
From: Neon Moon <neonmoonx@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <MaGG8.81663$Po6.144808@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4242
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Hey Hams,

On my ham page I added a really slick message board that some of you may enjoy. If anything, it's fun to look at the really neat interface.

Anyway, I tossed a couple of messages on it. It's there for all to enjoy.

http://n6www.cjb.net

Click on Message Board near the top.

Let me know if there are any other discussion sections you'd like me to add to the page.

I also have liks to ULS, IRLP, Homebrew, QRP, and ham training sites for those interested in seeing some of the fun places I've found along the way.

Also, I'm hanging out on IRLP node 396 for anyone looking to say hi! It's about 10:30pm Pacific time on Tuesday May 21st... I'll probably be on for another hour or two. It would be fun to hear anyone's take on my new pages. I'm not a webmaster, so I'm learning.as I go...

73's

Jason - N6WWW - I'm 404 lol

858. MOTOROLA T- BAND SPECTRA MOBILE RADIO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 08:07:38 UTC
From: AS3A23@AOL.COM
Message-ID: <360edc72.0205220007.66d80a26@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4243

I HAVE A MOTOROLA T- BAND SPECTRA MOBILE RADIO FOR SALE. ITS UHF 480-500MHZ. I WANT $250.00 FOR RADIO .RADIO IN GREAT SHAPE .PLEASE E-MAIL ME AT AS3A23@AOL.COM

859. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 11:01:31 UTC
From: DBN <dnicholson@socket.net>
Message-ID: <uemuj5lqhp6v0c@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4244
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I sure hope someone from DARA is reading these posts and getting a clue!!!
If not someone should clue them in huh!

Dan

860. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 13:06:06 UTC
From: HoopyKloopie <postodplugs@aol.com>
Message-ID: <2JMG8.533$4J1.93@newsread2.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 4245
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

"Joe Leikhim" <jleikhim@nettally.com> wrote in message
news:3CEAF4B9.18EFB11@nettally.com...
> Maybe the way around it is to have some e-bay auctions on site. Bidders
could
> view the stuff, then run back to their laptops (or nearby computer kiosks)
and
> put in a bid. The auctions could run 2 to 48 hours.
>
> Laugh about it, but time will come when you will get outbid by somebody
using a
> PDA and Bluetooth standing right behind you. The dealers would love it.

I'd never buy radio gear on E-Bay.
All E-Bay represents is a "feeding frenzie"
type market for ham gear. What I see people
paying for ham gear on E-Bay leads me to
belive that there's an awful lot "shill bidding"
going on. Something that I would not put past
some of the so-called "private dealers" that
I used to see travelling to all the hamfests
like gypsy traders. You know, the guys that
buy up all the honest bargans offered for new
hams by the old-timers, that show up an hour
later on their table or on E-Bay for double the
price or more. Buy used ham radio equipment
on E-Bay...?? Anyone who does so should have
their head examined.

861. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 14:38:43 UTC
From: Ben <manley62@InsightBB.com>
Message-ID: <T3OG8.78901$UV4.131329@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 4246
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Yes I hope they are. I went up to the DARA booth and asked where the booth was for the scooters and they told me they didn't know. Didn't they put the show together? Then when you asked anybody else they tried to sell you a program for $5. Very Sad. I hope they learned something this year. Maybe the big companies should find a new place to have the ham fest. Somewhere that it will be about getting hams together to buy and sell radios, and share ideas and not about how much money they can make putting on the fest. To bad it has become only a money making project for them.
Atleast people like Icom and Yeasu were having some good sells. I too was getting tired of people saying I can get more then that on Ebay. Maybe those sellers should stay home and hide behind their computers because I'm not going to pay Ebays high prices.

Sorry just my 2 cents worth

But maybe I could get 3 cents on Ebay!!! HA HA HA HA
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> Dan
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862. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 14:54:31 UTC
From: Ken Bessler <kg0wx@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <HiOG8.66750$Md6.1546593@news1.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4247
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

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> But maybe I could get 3 cents on Ebay!!! HA HA HA HA

Speaking of Ebay's high prices, check this out:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1349965573

73's de Ken KG0WX

863. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 15:39:04 UTC
From: mi_magic3@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <53112f7c.0205220739.4edb56ff@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4248
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Never ceases to amaze me how cheap some hams are. Who gives a rodents behind about a program? Besides if you paid to get there and got a room what's a few more bucks for a program. I wonder how many get tossed or end up on the ground when they were free? Its called capitalism, and maybe with more and more gray hair in amateur radio, DARA had to do something to recoup their losses. I noticed the crowds to be WAY DOWN. AES had great deals, I bought two VX-1R's, they were $99 each!!! Just hope that we have bands to use all this gear on in a few more years. I have been to Dayton several times, and don't worry about the weather either. Be smart and bring the right clothes. Obviously there were several gonads who walked around with shorts on and tee shirts, probablly in the hospital now. They looked real cool!!! Didn't see the chicken cam, but did see the goofball with the tower on his head!! Always fun to people watch, can't wait to bring my newly licensed wife, she will be laughing all weekend next year!! Still the best hobby on earth...

864. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 15:54:43 UTC
From: Never anonymous Bud <thekat@san.rxyzr.com>
Message-ID: <eofneu8el38ai00b2g74f5ot6tmd67pic8@4ax.com>
Source record: 4249
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

While savoring a President Clinton 'special' cigar, "Ken Bessler" <kg0wx@yahoo.com> scribbled...

>Speaking of Ebay's high prices, check this out:
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>http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1349965573

$605 plus $35 for shipping, for a radio that's almost 30 year old, and worth, AT BEST, half of what was bid.

To reply by email, remove the XYZ.

Lumber Cartel (tinlc) #2063. Spam this account at your own risk.

It's your SIG, say what you want to say....

865. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 16:28:30 UTC
From: laborkei <laborkeiNOSPAM@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <3cebcb3d$1_1@nopics.sjc>
Source record: 4150
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

You can view some pictures here..

http://www.qsl.net/wd5bjq/hamvent02.htm

"N9NWO" <n9nwo@amsat.org> wrote in message
news:3KUF8.22455$8M5.17288@nwrddc01.gnilink.net...
> I was unable to attend this year due to military duties.
> What are the reports from Dayton?
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> Other than rain, what was the big news?
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> Any good deals like we had last year?
> New equipment? (the VX-7R was selling
> for about $379).
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866. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 17:11:50 UTC
From: dumpsterdiver@email.com
Message-ID: <7bb8186b.0205220911.7d1ac257@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4151
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

This was my 1st hamvention and I had a blast! I've heard that attendance is down this year, but I think there was just enough people... enough to talk to, buy from, work on the air, etc. but enough that it's not a gigantic mob of screaming operators. :) I liked the Yaesu VX-7 display even though I only half-believed that they were actually submersed. They WERE actual radios though, I believe they were on weather frequencies. It was great to be able to actually use the radios on display, I've heard that at previous 'fests, you had to wait to use them. I got to sit and look at / use the PROII (I think that's what it was) for about two minutes! :) I didn't buy a program though, it looked like it was mainly sold as a souvinir (did I spell that right??). The crystal scanner, three business band HTs (one convertable to 2m), and two FRS radios are souvinirs enough. :) Plus, forum lists and maps of the arena (which were actually MORE ACCURATE than the ones in the programs) were available for free to those who asked nicely. There were a few good scanner dealers there. I stopped at Bearcat Radio Club and another scanner mag (which one?). Bob Grove planned to be there but had a family emergency :(Too bad, because I was looking forward to listening to him at the Teachers forum. One thing I noticed was that there's a LONG hallway that goes around all the arenas. Very handy once I found out about it. Also, did anyone else see the 25kw dummy load out in the flea market? Wow.. that's one big dummy load.

73
Michael
KB3HFP

867. Re: N6WWW Home Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 19:55:27 UTC
From: ehsjr@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <3CEBF853.10E69256@bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4152
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

Neon Moon wrote:
>
> I actually posted this in a reply message in a thread, but thought I'd make
> a more general announcement as an invitation to everyone.
>
> I just finished my first ham radio page. Pretty simple stuff, but some nice
> links to some of my favorite QRP and Homebew sites amongst other stuff (a
> ULS link, and some other good ham radio pages on CW). Included also is a
> bit of my ham history (i'm a new ham, so it's a short history! LOL)
>
> Let me know what you think!
>
> Jason - N6WWW - November Six World Wide Web
>
> And for those on IRLP, you can catch me on Node 396
>
> (I'm actually monitoring right now for those hanging out online
> It's 4:25pm Pacific 5/20/02 right now)

So - what's the url for your page?

868. Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 22:16:04 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020522181604.22849.00000076@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 4153

Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name to Ham Radio Organization. For example, the Boston Amateur Radio Society should call itself the Boston HAM radio society.

Ham radio is about operating radios. Ham radio is about contesting, working all states, collecting QSOs, etc. This is the Ham culture.

For others, Amateur Radio is for the experimenter, the radio direction finders, the kit builders, the tinkerers, the designers The people looking for the Amateur Radio aspects will not find them in Ham Radio clubs. Some Amateurs are not Hams. Some Amateurs believe Ham is a food, rigs are for ships, and do not want to use codewords (such as QSO, 73, etc) in their conversation.

The ARRL seems to encompass both groups, they are provide a resource for all of the aspects of Amateur Radio. Fortunately, they do not seem to be biased.

The clubs seem to represent the "Ham" interests. Therefore the clubs should change their name from "Amateur" to "Ham". Other Amateur organizations should be started for those interested in the experimentation aspects, possibly called "experimenter" clubs, to distinguish themselves from "Ham" clubs.

Many (most?) Hams do not want to get involved in the electronics aspect. This is understandable. Why should the electronics aspect be imposed on these Hams?

I belong in the experimenter group. Right now, there are almost no Amateur Radio clubs for those that are interested in radio electronics. I would like to see more of these clubs starting up. I believe this would increase the number of Amateur Radio member by a lot. Lets have more clubs for people interested in electronics.

869. Re: rf project, Maryland or Massachusetts area.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 22:25:52 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020522182552.22849.00000080@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 4154

Looks like I will be going to Maryland. Any Hams or Electrical Engineering students inderested in doing a summer radio project?

870. Re: N6WWW Home Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-22 22:39:56 UTC
From: N6WWW <neonmoonx@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <07VG8.81598$UV4.134327@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 4155
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

Oops!

It's http://n6www.cjb.net/

Let me know what you think of it. It was a hoot to setup.

Jason - N6WWW

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N6WWW's Ham Pages - NEW!
Fantastic Message Boards on VHF/UHF,
QRP, Homebew, Trading, and more!
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871. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 00:08:09 UTC
From: "Gary \"Joe\" Mayfield" <gary_mayfield@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ueocptmrcots80@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4156
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

In defense of the sale. That was no ordinary 101e. A mint condition Model T Ford brings a little more than the original price too. They aren't very good cars, no A/C, no cruise, no stereo, etc.

Joe

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> To reply by email, remove the XYZ.
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> Lumber Cartel (tinlc) #2063. Spam this account at your own risk.
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> It's your SIG, say what you want to say....

872. Re: Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 01:04:08 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205221704.5f3ebfe3@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4157

Tom Currie <N4AOF@iglou.com> wrote in message news:<3CEAF177.D06114B1@iglou.com>...

> Apparently there have been some nameserver problems for the site. I
> can reach it easily from home via my ISP, but it can't be found at
> all if I try to access it from at work using milnet. It isn't
> blocked or filtered (those give different errors) it is just a
> matter of the nameserver not finding any record DNS record to
> convert the URL to an IP address.
>
> You might try entering the IP 216.167.96.124 directly to see if you
> can reach the site that way.

That doesn't work for me either... can anyone else get into ARRL's website?

873. FS IFR 1200S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 01:23:30 UTC
From: "S. Rich" <srich@home.com>
Message-ID: <mwXG8.106454$Ze4.11201061@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4158

I have for sale one IFR 1200S
This unit is in good condition, but is missing one knob and will occasionally go out of lock. I am the original owner and it has been in use in our shop since it was new. The scope is a little dim but works ok. Was last calibrated in 1999. SN is 3650 and I will ship it in an original 1200s box. Will sell for $2500 plus shipping.
If interested please email me or call daily at 1-800-431-2929 ask for Steve.
steve@commtechradio.com

874. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 01:52:27 UTC
From: restamp@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <vXXG8.66183$G%3.25248066@typhoon.columbus.rr.com>
Source record: 4159
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

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>capitalism, and maybe with more and more gray hair in amateur radio,
>DARA had to do something to recoup their losses.

I agree that $5 isn't going to bankrupt anyone at the Hamvention,
but there is also a matter of principle involved. I'm sure there
are tough pricing decisions that the DARA people had to make, but
I found this one particularly onerous, and made more so by DARA
neglecting to inform people of their decision beforehand. I was
frankly offended, as much as I would be if a restaurant I frequent
suddenly decided to impose a surcharge but neglected to mention
the fact before presenting the bill.

The decision to ding people for a program is simply a bad one and
we should be unequivocable about letting the people who run the
Hamvention know that.

Rob

875. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 03:50:03 UTC
From: N9NWO <n9nwo@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <LFZG8.8301$Je3.5356@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4160
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

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: > I was unable to attend this year due to military duties.
: > What are the reports from Dayton?
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: > New equipment? (the VX-7R was selling
: > for about $379).
:
: I heard Yaesu equipment was selling at rediculously low prices,
: (FT817 $499. FT100D $540?). Yaesu also showed off a new
:portable/base radio, the FT897. Looked real nice.
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What is the FT 897? HF? VHF/UHF??

876. Re: Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 04:34:46 UTC
From: N6WWW <neonmoonx@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Gj_G8.9694$352.1134@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4161

Works super for me and always have... I just went there 10 seconds ago...
their latest story is dated today May 22....

Dayton Hamvention 2002 Crowd Rises Above "The Big Chill" (May 22, 2002) --
Exuberance and enthusiasm at Dayton Hamvention 2002 by and large overcame
the rainy, then unseasonably chilly, weather during the three-day event.
Pre-Hamvention speculation about a considerably smaller turnout in this
post-September 11 era, also seemed to have been off the mark. This year's
Dayton crowd appeared to be just about as large as last year's. Hamvention
officials are not expected to release an attendance figure until next week

Jason - N6WWW

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877. Stolen HAM Vehicle Plate

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 08:18:22 UTC
From: CN <conradn@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <iB1H8.77002$071.32218075@typhoon1.we.ipsvc.net>
Source record: 4162

Stolen on May 17, 2002 in the Fresno, California area was a rear plate with tags.

License plate was WA6KUE. Belongs on a White Ford SuperCrew F150 Truck.

If you see it on something besides a White Truck, chances are, the driver has no idea what Amateur Radio is.

The plate is being replaced; but, watch for frauds.

73, Conrad Nerdahl - WA6KUE conradn@attbi.com

878. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 17:01:25 UTC
From: knowbody63@aol.com.ip
Message-ID: <20020523130125.21950.00000183@mb-df.aol.com>
Source record: 4163

Troll, Troll Troll your Boat.......
I hear that schools of " Large-us Opinionatus" are attacted to this
bait....

879. how to do r7

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 18:34:11 UTC
From: Bizon <bizongod@poczta.fm>
Message-ID: <acnn35$g1e$2@news.tpi.pl>
Source record: 4184

hi
i'm looking for describe how to do
cushcraft's R7 antenna at home

thanks
bizon

880. Royal Order of the Wouff Hong

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 20:47:35 UTC
From: dumpsterdiver@email.com
Message-ID: <7bb8186b.0205231247.4b0ce7e9@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4164

The Royal Order of the Wouff Hong - Is it a joke? Some weird ARRL thing? What the heck is it? :)

881. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 21:10:46 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020523171046.20962.00000387@mb-fx.aol.com>
Source record: 4165

knowbody63@aol.com.ip wrote
> Troll, Troll Troll your Boat......

How was my post a troll? I did flame anyone. I made an observation. I backed up this observation with examples. I offered a proposed solution. Sometiimes, if you disagree with the comment, it is just easier to say it is a troll than to refute it.

My point was that Ham radio clubs are not for those that are interested in experimenting with radios. Also, not ervery amateur is interested in using codewords in their conversation.

Do you disagree with this? If a survey was taken, what percent would be interested in electronics? I have been to several Amateur Radio clubs and have perhaps found around 3 people interested in electronics. Also, they don't attend very many of the meetings.

The people that want to experiment and not use codewords would feel out of place in most Ham Radio clubs. I believe there are others that feel the same way I do.

The solution I offered was to start specialty clubs that are for the prupose of experimentation. This would not take away from the existing clubs. This would add (or bolster) another interest to the Amateur Radio umbrella.

882. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 21:34:09 UTC
From: knowbody63@aol.com.ip
Message-ID: <20020523173409.21950.00000193@mb-df.aol.com>
Source record: 4166

>From: vshah101@aol.com:.."My point was that Ham radio clubs are not for those that are interested in experimenting with radios. Also, not ervery amateur is interested in using codewords in their conversation. Do you disagree with this...."

I think the whole topic of "Amateur Radio isn't Ham Radio" is silly.
For Example, looking at the (only) three magazines available to US Hams:
The Actual Title of CQ Magazine, at the Top of every cover, is:
"AMATEUR RADIO Communications & Technology"
The cover of QST states:
"QST, devoted entirely to AMATEUR RADIO"
and 73's cover is:
"73 Amateur Radio Today"
Using your logic, People in the USA interested in HAM Radio don't have any magazine to read, since the only 3 are all devoted to Amateur Radio"..... Give me a Break!!! These terms are used interchangably by all in the Hobby & industry, & these 2 terms Have NOTHING to do with weather a particular Ham likes to Build his own rig, or Not work Freqs above 400Mhz, or has "this" class license over That, or any other "valid" point that you think you made.... etc..

883. Re: N6WWW Home Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 21:52:23 UTC
From: ehsjr@bellatlantic.net
Message-ID: <3CED6537.58F8D69D@bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4167
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

N6WWW wrote:
>
> Oops!
>
> It's http://n6www.cjb.net/
>
> Let me know what you think of it. It was a hoot to setup.
>

I enjoyed the page - thanks for the url.

> Jason - N6WWW
>
> --
> **********
> N6WWW's Ham Pages - NEW!
> Fantastic Message Boards on VHF/UHF,
> QRP, Homebew, Trading, and more!
> http://n6www.cjb.net/
> **********
> <ehsjr@bellatlantic.net> wrote in message
> news:3CEBF853.10E69256@bellatlantic.net...
> >
> >
> > Neon Moon wrote:
> > >
> > > I actually posted this in a reply message in a thread, but thought I'd
> make
> > > a more general announcement as an invitation to everyone.
> > >
> > > I just finished my first ham radio page. Pretty simple stuff, but some
> nice
> > > links to some of my favorite QRP and Homebew sites amongst other stuff
> (a
> > > ULS link, and some other good ham radio pages on CW). Included also is
> a
> > > bit of my ham history (i'm a new ham, so it's a short history! LOL)
> > >
> > > Let me know what you think!
> > >
> > > Jason - N6WWW - November Six World Wide Web
> > >
> > > And for those on IRLP, you can catch me on Node 396
> > >

> > > (I'm actually monitoring right now for those hanging out online
> > > It's 4:25pm Pacific 5/20/02 right now)
> >
> > So - what's the url for your page?

884. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 22:07:53 UTC
From: shitblaster@volcanomail.com
Message-ID: <90a278e1.0205231407.f1f6a6a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4168

vshah101@aol.com (Vshah101) wrote in message
news:<20020522181604.22849.00000076@mb-cv.aol.com>...
> Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name to Ham Radio Organization.
> For example, ..."
I Agee that there is no reason to change any names. There are
very many facets of this hobby that don't fit into either of your 2
Definintions, do we then come up with additional fractured names
("...I'm more into Salami Radio myself, but my buddy seems to like the
Knockworst aspect of the hobby more, We both met at a club meeting
while talking to 2 Amateurs about Ham radio, though.....")

885. Re: Royal Order of the Wouff Hong

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-23 22:57:26 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <qteH8.39121$db7.1296949@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4170

Not a entirely a joke --- see URL:
http://www.cebik.com/wouf.html

And be surprised who invented it.
--
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!
==========
"Dumpster Dude" <dumpsterdiver@email.com> wrote in message
news:7bb8186b.0205231247.4b0ce7e9@posting.google.com...
> The Royal Order of the Wouff Hong - Is it a joke? Some weird ARRL
> thing? What the heck is it? :)

886. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 00:45:41 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020523204541.13990.00000446@mb-mf.aol.com>
Source record: 4172

> For Example, looking at the (only) three magazines available to US Hams:
> The Actual Title of CQ Magazine, at the Top of every cover, is:
> "AMATEUR RADIO Communications & Technology"
> The cover of QST states:
>"QST, devoted entirely to AMATEUR RADIO"
> and 73's cover is:
> "73 Amateur Radio Today"
> Using your logic, People in the USA interested in HAM Radio don't have
>any
>magazine to read, since the only 3 are all devoted to Amateur Radio"

The magazines give coverage to all aspects. What percentage of Hams read the technical articles? The ARRL handbook gives coverage to all aspects, but makes clear what a "Ham" is. Even then, the Handbook says "Amateurs like to do xxx", as if ALL Amateurs like to do those activities.

Ham radio is what people actually use. If (hypothetically) 95% use codewords and are not interested in electronics, then this is what Ham radio is.

> I Agee that there is no reason to change any names. There are
>very many facets of this hobby that don't fit into either of your 2
>Definintions, do we then come up with additional fractured names
All Ham communications must use the codewords, If you use ordinary conversations without the codewords, are you still considered a Ham?

Perhaps a name change is not required, but the need for an experimenter's specialty group is desired.

887. Radio Sounds

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 04:24:49 UTC
From: First Last <nobody@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9217EE2CE41A9nobodynowherecom@204.127.202.16>
Source record: 4173

Does anyone know of a website with sample sounds? I'm new to amateur radio and I'm having a hard time determining what sound is what. It would be nice to hear sounds that were labeled, like "this is RTTY" and "this is a weather fax", etc.

888. HELP! FT-11R Urgent Info Needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 04:29:48 UTC
From: "A.K. Forsyth" <akforsyth@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <0ljH8.2246$PM1.173037@news2.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4174

If anyone can help me I would definately appreciate it. I have a Yaesu FT-11R that has somehow lost it's programming. No big deal, except that I do not have my book with me and I am a paramedic away at work right now. I have to program some of my basic channels back in using the keypad and cannot remember how. If someone could steer me in the direction of online manuals or a summary of how to do it again I would be extremely greatful. Thanks.

889. HH scanner; Need suggestions about what NOT to buy and what TO buy

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 07:19:25 UTC
From: Lee <lee@texw.com>
Message-ID: <1QIH8.3877$ih1.1976@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4175
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.ham-radio,alt.hamradio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Handheld scanner;

I've gotten my moneys worth out of my BC 200 XLT. Our town has gone to trunked. I'm not sure what type. I'd like to get another scanner for commercial band services, aircraft and 2mt HAM band since I'm a HAM.
I noticed that Uniden does not sell all the units on their web site that are for sale at other places. So I'm thinking that maybe they are just selling the latest models or the models they plan on keeping in production. I guess I would also like all the channel storage possible as long as it doesn't shorten battery time. Our local city services are at 866-868 MHz so I will need UHF. And I also need 144 - 148 MHz for late night HAM listening.
Of course I've been looking at the Uniden BC245XLT. But I've heard there are 1000 channel models out (RS I guess) and I think the digital ones are for sale or near FCC type acceptance.
So how about some suggestions. I got lots of hours of monitoring from my 200XLT. Thats cheap entertainment. It's been so long I can't remember when I bought it. It was a real work horse. Please pass along any "lemons" you know of. You can email me anonymous lee@texw.com I don't want to get anyone upset about their radios.

Many-Many Thanks, Lee
73

890. Re: Radio Sounds

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 10:12:38 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <acme86$1hp0$1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 4179

Go here and download some free programs and listen to them out of the speakers of your sound card. The programs are such that you can operate things such as rtty just by hooking up the sound card input and output to the speaker and microphone inputs to a transceiver.

http://www.muenster.de/%7Ewelp/sb.htm

891. forsale motorola privacy plus mobiles 25.00US includes shipping

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 10:46:18 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <tkeH8.17377$op.3313342@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4169

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for sale:
in excellent condition
motorola privacy plus mobiles with microphones
800mhz
2 systems, 2 groups

25.00US includes basic shipping
5 for 100.00US

thanks
oakvillecub@cogeco.ca
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892. for sale GE and Midland mobile radios

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 11:05:18 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <hCeH8.17385$op.3313347@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4171

for sale : all in excellent condition with mounting brackets,
powercords and microphones.

Midland 70-336b (8 channels) 150-174mhz 50.00US

GE pheonix SX (32 channels) 450-512mhz 75.00US
presently programmed with 14 FRS and 18 business
channels.

GE pheonix SX (16 channels) 150-174mhz 75.00US
presently programmed with 8 marine and 8 business
channels.

all prices include basic shipping
thanks
oakvillecub@cogeco.ca

893. Re: Tower advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 11:54:20 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <MRpH8.69515$L76.112770@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 4176

Contact one of your local radio clubs, for at least one experienced tower person. How you raise a tower (e.g. Gin Pole, Crane, All at once) depends heavily on your location and hazards (electrical transmission lines, neighboring houses, adjoining structures, etc.)

Some clubs have a common gin pole for tower usage by their club members.

G. Beat
w9gb

"Joer" <joeryahoocom@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:e08922c6.0205182137.3591c434@posting.google.com...
> I recently bought a used 30' tower that came in three 10-foot
> sections, with a base plate and two brackets to mount to the side of
> my house. Each section mounts atop the other and they're then bolted
> together. There's an antenna, that came with the tower, to go on the
> top.
>
> I can deal with preparing the base and securing the base plate, what
> I'm wondering about is how to get the sections of tower up? That is,
> once I mount the first 10 foot section, what's the best way to get the
> other two up, being as I'm not the strongest person in the world! <g>
> I can get my roommate's dad to help as long as we have half a clue
> what we're doing . .
>
> thanks,
>
> Joe W9TXU

894. Re: Radio Sounds

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 16:19:50 UTC
From: on4pj <on4pj@pi.be>
Message-ID: <aclubn$1m8$1@reader07.wxs.nl>
Source record: 4177

Hello,
Just found something in my 'archives' ... probably there are other
sites, but this might help you.

Try : http://www.wunclub.com/

And click on the "DIGITAL SOUNDS" access.

Otherwise go direct to : http://www.wunclub.com/sounds/index.html

Greetings from a Belgian Ham.

Patrick.

"First Last" <nobody@nowhere.com> wrote in message
news:Xns9217EE2CE41A9nobodynowherecom@204.127.202.16...
> Does anyone know of a website with sample sounds? I'm new to amateur
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> and I'm having a hard time determining what sound is what. It would be
> nice to hear sounds that were labeled, like "this is RTTY" and "this is a
> weather fax", etc.
>

895. WTB: Motorola HTS & Mobiles

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-24 18:34:47 UTC
From: bossyy <bossyy@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <bJvH8.131279$ja.37452172@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4178
Cross-posted to: rec.misc.forsale,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Wanted: Motorola Maxtracs/GM300s/Spectras/mcs2000s/CDM1250s Etc.
GP350s/GP68s/Ht1250s/Ht1000s/HT750s/Sabers/MT2000's/XTS3000s/etc VHF &
UHF I buy in quantity so please no retail prices.
If you have radios or Hts forsale, Contact me at:
973-857-1195 NJ
Or bossyy@optonline.net

896. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 02:16:12 UTC
From: Randy & Cara randall <crrandal@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <3CEEF48A.8080906@earthlink.net>
Source record: 4180
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I have been going to the Dayton HV for 22 years now and I have seen allot in those years, but Ebay is ruining ALL hamfests. A couple of years ago a person with a very pronounced New York or Bronxish accent came to our local Cincinnati hamfest and bought everything in site that was reasonably priced. It didn't matter what it was. While at a table I overheard this conversation. Bronx "How much is this?" Seller "$50.00." Bronx "Not worth it. I'll give you $30.00" Seller "Wellllll OK." The seller proceeds to bag the item. Bronx to friend while still in easy earshot of seller "I'll get $125.00 for this one at least on Ebay!" Resellers like this one are truly what is killing Hamfests. If I was the seller and heard this, why would I bother taking an item to any fest? I'd sell it on Ebay and pocket the $$$ instead of making someone else rich.

Randy KB8ASO

HoopyKloopie wrote:

> "Joe Leikhim" <jleikhim@nettally.com> wrote in message
> news:3CEAF4B9.18EFB11@nettally.com...
>
>>Maybe the way around it is to have some e-bay auctions on site. Bidders
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> could
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>>view the stuff, then run back to their laptops (or nearby computer kiosks)
>>
> and
>
>>put in a bid. The auctions could run 2 to 48 hours.
>>
>>Laugh about it, but time will come when you will get outbid by somebody
>>
> using a
>
>>PDA and Bluetooth standing right behind you. The dealers would love it.
>>
>
> I'd never buy radio gear on E-Bay.
> All E-Bay represents is a "feeding frenzie"
> type market for ham gear. What I see people
> paying for ham gear on E-Bay leads me to
> belive that there's an awful lot "shill bidding"
> going on. Something that I would not put past

> some of the so-called "private dealers" that
> I used to see travelling to all the hamfests
> like gypsy traders. You know, the guys that
> buy up all the honest bargans offered for new
> hams by the old-timers, that show up an hour
> later on their table or on E-Bay for double the
> price or more. Buy used ham radio equipment
> on E-Bay...?? Anyone who does so should have
> their head examined.
>
>

897. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 03:36:31 UTC
From: Joe Leikhim <jleikhim@nettally.com>
Message-ID: <3CEF06BE.B72A32C6@nettally.com>
Source record: 4181
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

Sure; But those are same guys that would buy up everything at opening first day
and move it to their table and mark up 200%. And sellers like that either are
motivated to sell or unaware of what they have to sell. Nothing has changed at
all.

Randy & Cara randall wrote:

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> Randy KB8ASO
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> > on E-Bay...?? Anyone who does so should have
> > their head examined.
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> >

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Joe Leikhim K4SAT
Jleikhim@nettally.com

"Jazz is not dead. It just smells funny." -F.Z.

898. FA: Multi-band Radio Shack Receiver

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 05:00:41 UTC
From: General@superiorREMOVECAPSstuff.com
Message-ID: <3cef19aa.111174175@news-server.satx.rr.com>
Source record: 4182

Gets part of 2-meter band, short-wave, etc.

Radio Shack SW-100 Model 12649
Multi-band receiver
Black, UL Labatories listed
Two carrying handles and shoulder strap

AM, CB, SW1, SW2, FM, TV1, TV2, Air, Weather, VHF

Frequency selector, Tuner, Fine Tuner, AFC, Radio/PA, Power, Volume
Tone

Internal FM antenna, AM directional antenna, and plug for shortwave
antenna. Plug for earphone and microphone.

Uses built-in A/C power cord, 4 'D' batteries, or external 9-volt
power
supply (not included)

Frequency ranges: AM - 530 - 1710 Khz; CB Channels 1 - 40; SW1 & SW2 -
4 - 12 Mhz; FM - 55 - 108 Mhz; TV1 - Channels 2 - 6; TV2 - Channels 7
- 13; Air, Weather, VHF - 108 - 175 Mhz

For detailed specifications, go to www.radioshack.com and search for
12649

Expires approx. 6:00 PM CDT 2002-05-25/

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1353948862

Multi-band Radio Shack Receiver Model 12649 on Ebay
Expires approx 6:00 pm 5/25/2002
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1353948862

899. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 05:52:20 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <oEFH8.14181$cL4.233345@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4183

Are you nuts???
Just look at your License if you have one. "Proficiency in Armature Radio"
not ham radio.
The nick name, "ham" came from the professional Marconie radio opps who
would listen to the bragging and bs on the bands and say that they were
hamming it up. This was back in the early days of radio before WWII.
It is only a nick name and nothing else.

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news:20020522181604.22849.00000076@mb-cv.aol.com...
> Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name to Ham Radio
Organization.
> For example, the Boston Amateur Radio Society should call itself the
Boston HAM
> radio society.
>
> Ham radio is about operating radios. Ham radio is about contesting,
working all
> states, collecting QSOs, etc. This is the Ham culture.
>
> For others, Amateur Radio is for the experimenter, the radio direction
finders,
> the kit builders, the tinkerers, the designers The people looking for the
> Amateur Radio aspects will not find them in Ham Radio clubs. Some
Amateurs are
> not Hams. Some Amateurs believe Ham is a food, rigs are for ships, and do
not
> want to use codewords (such as QSO, 73, etc) in their conversation.
>
> The ARRL seems to encompass both groups, they are provide a resource for
all of
> the aspects of Amateur Radio. Fortunately, they do not seem to be biased.
>
> The clubs seem to represent the "Ham" interests. Therefore the clubs
should
> change their name from "Amateur" to "Ham". Other Amateur organizations
should
> be started for those interested in the experimentation aspects, possibly
> called "experimenter" clubs, to distinguish themselves from "Ham" clubs.
>
> Many (most?) Hams do not want to get involved in the electronics aspect.
This
> is understandable. Why should the electronics aspect be imposed on these
Hams?

>
> I belong in the experimenter group. Right now, there are almost no Amateur
> Radio clubs for those that are interested in radio electronics. I would
like to
> see more of these clubs starting up. I believe this would increase the
number
> of Amateur Radio member by a lot. Lets have more clubs for people
interested
> in electronics.

900. RDS Decoder

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 10:30:16 UTC
From: Hoid <hoid@interia.pl>
Message-ID: <acnp0k$3dm$1@zeus.polsl.gliwice.pl>
Source record: 4185

Hi there.
I don't know if this is the right group. I'm writing here for the first time with my problem.....

I'm looking for software which can decode RDS information, but .... this software should be 8051 or compatibile .... What i mean. I Built RDS decoder based on TDA7330 and i want to connect it to the microcontroler with LCD - software should decode information from TDA.. and display it on LCD.

This is my problem and now a pleas for you:
Does anyone know where i can find such a software, or does anyone now a person that can help me with that.....

PS Thanks for any informations
LeH
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leh@polsl.gliwice.pl

901. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 19:19:51 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205251119.3bfcf9af@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4186

"WG" <nojunk@mail.com> wrote in message
news:<oEFH8.14181$cL4.233345@news1.telusplanet.net>...
> Are you nuts???
> Just look at your License if you have one. "Proficiency in Armature Radio"
> not ham radio.
> The nick name, "ham" came from the professional Marconie radio opps who
> would listen to the bragging and bs on the bands and say that they were
> hamming it up. This was back in the early days of radio before WWII.
> It is only a nick name and nothing else.
>

That's not actually true... Check out this URL for the REAL scoop on
why Amateur Radio Operators are known as "HAM's".

http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com/hamhistory.html

You might learn something! :)

902. Re: Where's the ARRL website?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 19:21:52 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205251121.2b9a5f2c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4187

"N6WWW" <neonmoonx@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:<Gj_G8.9694$352.1134@sccrnsc02>...
> Works super for me and always have... I just went there 10 seconds ago...
> their latest story is dated today May 22....
>
> Dayton Hamvention 2002 Crowd Rises Above "The Big Chill" (May 22, 2002) --
> Exuberance and enthusiasm at Dayton Hamvention 2002 by and large overcame
> the rainy, then unseasonably chilly, weather during the three-day event.
> Pre-Hamvention speculation about a considerably smaller turnout in this
> post-September 11 era, also seemed to have been off the mark. This year's
> Dayton crowd appeared to be just about as large as last year's. Hamvention
> officials are not expected to release an attendance figure until next week
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> Jason - N6WWW

Still not able to bring it up here at work... my home computer should
be up and running again by Tuesday, I hope I'll be able to get onto it
from there...

903. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 19:34:41 UTC
From: sundance@spamcop.net
Message-ID: <3CEFE751.8A585B70@spamcop.net>
Source record: 4188

vhfradiobuff wrote:
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> "WG" <nojunk@mail.com> wrote in message
news:<oEFH8.14181$cL4.233345@news1.telusplanet.net>...

< S N I P >

> That's not actually true... Check out this URL for the REAL scoop on
> why Amateur Radio Operators are known as "HAM's".
>
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com/hamhistory.html
>
> You might learn something! :)

YOU might learn something at:

http://www.arrl.org/whyham.html

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The Kid

904. TM-733 cross-band repeat -- mic is live !?!?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-25 23:42:36 UTC
From: Mark Jeghers <mark@t4pNOSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <MjVH8.19008$%o.1958504@bin3.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4189
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

When I put my TM-733 into crossband repeat mode, the mic
is active and any sound in the room gets added to the signal.
Wierd. Yuk.

Short of adding a switch to short out the mic element, does
anyone know a way to mute the microphone during cross-band
repeat mode?

Mark
KF6ONE

905. Re: TM-733 cross-band repeat -- mic is live !?!?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 00:41:52 UTC
From: Clif Holland <radio.service@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <kbWH8.9296$Np5.225@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4190
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Unplug it...

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Clif Holland, KA5IPF
AVVid
Authorized Kenwood and Icom Amateur Service
www.avvid.com
1-800-214-5779
"Mark Jeghers" <mark@t4pNOSPAM.com> wrote in message
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> Mark
> KF6ONE
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>

906. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 02:19:31 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205251819.5c764570@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4191

sundance@spamcop.net wrote in message news:<3CEFE751.8A585B70@spamcop.net>...

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> YOU might learn something at:
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> http://www.arrl.org/whyham.html

Unfortunately I can not access the ARRL website. I haven't been able
to bring it up for about a week or more. What does it say?

907. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 03:08:27 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3cf050bb.82863250@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4192

On 25 May 2002 19:19:31 -0700, vhfradiobuff@aol.com (vhfradiobuff)
wrote:

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>to bring it up for about a week or more. What does it say?

I've had no trouble reaching it a few times in the last week.

You might try typing it in again, just www.arrl.org, as some inside
page you have bookmarked may have changed.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

908. TM-733 - Remote entry won't work

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 03:29:59 UTC
From: Mark Jeghers <mark@t4pNOSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <XEYH8.22312$%y.2182196@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4193
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

When I go into "remote entry" mode by pressing

[F] + [CONT SEL]

...the S-meter blinks as it should to denote remote entry mode. But when I press keys on the keypad they do not do what they should. Most often they simply cause the display menu to toggle between the regular menu and the "F" menu.

Anyone recognize this problem? Anyone know a fix?

Thank in advance,

Mark
KF6ONE

909. Re: TM-733 cross-band repeat -- mic is live !?!?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 03:54:05 UTC
From: Mark Russo <mrrusso@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <3CF05D9D.43244B8@optonline.net>
Source record: 4194
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Yep, unplug it! That's what I do :-)

Mark Jeghers wrote:

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> repeat mode?
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> Mark
> KF6ONE

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All e-mail received and SENT from me
has been checked by Norton Anti-Virus 2002.

mrrusso@optonline.net

GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!

910. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 05:53:23 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <nL_H8.16272$cL4.314706@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4195

So I guess that we split hairs. The commercial operators were the Marconie opps that I mentioned so what is it that is not true about what I posted? Some thing that the article failed to mention was that at one point in history the Marconie opps were forbidden to communicate with any non-Marconie radio operator including for emergencies. This meant that all shipping traffic was handled by way of the Marconie opps. and they gave the nick name to the Amateur opps that the heard.

Ham: a poor operator. A 'plug.'"

That's the definition of the word given in G. M. Dodge's The Telegraph Instructor even before radio. The definition has never changed in wire telegraphy. The first wireless operators were landline telegraphers who left their offices to go to sea or to man the coastal stations. They brought with them their language and much of the tradition of their older profession.

In those early days, spark was king and every station occupied the same wavelength--or, more accurately perhaps, every station occupied the whole spectrum with its broad spark signal. Government stations, ships, coastal stations and the increasingly numerous amateur operators all competed for time and signal supremacy in each other's receivers. Many of the amateur stations were very powerful. Two amateurs, working across town, could effectively jam all the other operators in the area. When this happened, frustrated commercial operators would call the ship whose weaker signals had been blotted out by the amateurs and say "SRI OM THOSE #&$!@ HAMS ARE JAMMING YOU."

Amateurs, possibly unfamiliar with the real meaning of the term, picked it up and applied it to themselves in true "Yankee Doodle" fashion and wore it with pride. As the years advanced, the original meaning has completely disappeared.

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> "WG" <nojunk@mail.com> wrote in message
news:<oEFH8.14181$cL4.233345@news1.telusplanet.net>...
> > Are you nuts???
> > Just look at your License if you have one. "Proficiency in Armature
Radio"
> > not ham radio.
> > The nick name, "ham" came from the professional Marconie radio opps who
> > would listen to the bragging and bs on the bands and say that they were
> > hamming it up. This was back in the early days of radio before WWII.
> > It is only a nick name and nothing else.
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> That's not actually true... Check out this URL for the REAL scoop on
> why Amateur Radio Operators are known as "HAM's".
>
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>
> You might learn something! :)

911. MOTOROLA GP-300S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 09:55:47 UTC
From: AS3A23@AOL.COM
Message-ID: <360edc72.0205260155.3252957@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4196

I HAVE 13 MOTOROLA GP-300 UHF HANDHELDS . ALL RADIOS COME WITH
CHARGERS. I WANT $180.00 FOR EACH RADIO. THE FREQUENCYS ARE 449-470MHZ
AND 449-500MHZ.PLEASE E-MAIL ME AT AS3A23@AOL.COM

912. MOTOROLA GP-350S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 10:00:14 UTC
From: AS3A23@AOL.COM
Message-ID: <360edc72.0205260200.f8345f2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4197

I HAVE 7 GP-350 RADIOS FREQUENCYS ARE 449-470MHZ.IN GREAT SHAPE. I WANT $225.00 EACH RADIO .ALL COME WITH CHARGERS. PLEASE E-MAIL ME AT AS3A23@AOL.COM

913. FS Ten Tec Model 411 CENTAUR HF AMP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 16:08:20 UTC
From: KENT HUFFORD <khufford@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <UL7I8.28515$jm.2634299@bin6.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4198
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx

For Sale, TenTec Model 411 CENTAUR HF Linear Amplifier. 600 Watts out, 160-10meters. Uses 3 Svetlana 811A Tubes. 120 or 240 VAC. New from the factory in 1997 for $749 plus shipping. Used very little.

Would like to sell in the Northern Virginia Area.

Asking $475.

Kent Hufford

KQ4KK

703-494-303

khufford@comcast.net

914. ARNewsline 1293 - <ay 24 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-26 17:47:11 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020526134711.14607.00000972@mb-cg.aol.com>
Source record: 4199

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1293 - May 24 2002

This is a special announcement: Attention all listeners. Please be advised that our next newscast, Number 1294, will not be released until Sunday evening June 2nd. This is due to staff travel to an out of town event and will affect only next weeks newscast. ARNewsline newscast number 1295 will return to our normal Friday release on June 7th. Please adjust your release schedule accordingly. Thank you.

Also, once again this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline™ newscast is extremely audio intensive. We believe that it is impossible to really appreciate the words of those quoted without hearing them for yourself. For this reason we suggest that after reading this weeks print edition that you take your web browser to:

http://www.arnewsline.org

Click on the newscast number then download the MP3 audio file. Next sit back and experience a 20 minute "audio picture" of Hamventionr 200 for yourself.

Thank you. End special advisory.

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1293 with a release date of Friday, May 24th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. 2002 turns out to be the year of surprises at Hamvention. This story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1293 coming your way right now.

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DAYTON 2002 - A YEAR OF SURPRISE - PART 1

If nothing else, the 2002 Dayton Hamvention was filled with surprises. Surprises like this:

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"I just flat do not believe that. What are the odd? The top three prizes and people without calls win them? There's a lot of guys walking out of here with their heart down in their shoe soles."
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That's right. The top three prizes -- three top line ham radio stations and this year they were won by non hams. And before some of you channel

cops start saying that non hams cannot legally win ham gear guess again. The law is on their side. Not only did they win it. They went home with it.

Another surprise? How about business. Business as in what may be a record year for vendors. Why? Because those who came to Hamvention 2002 were armed with cash and ready to buy. Just ask Radio School's Gordon West, WB6NOA:

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Gordon West WB6NOA: "Well at he booths I was working to show the Gordon West Radio School products the sales were very, very positive. I mean -- people came here to get equipment and to get back on the air.

Many new hams were going on the air for the first time, yet there were allot of older hams who were sort of not on the air allot trading up to new equipment.

Certainly, I think we are about where we were last year for attendance but enthusiasm in acquiring new equipment? Yes! Much more than last year.
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As to the size of the crowd? There is still no official figure. Also, the weather was a bit unpredictable. Friday was wet. Saturday was first clear then wet. Sunday turned out to be the nicest weather of all. CQ Magazine's Rich Moseson, W2VU, was happy either way:

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Rich Moseson W2VU: "I just love rain. On Friday it rained and everybody was inside and it was very, very busy and we had a great show.

Saturday it was nice outside and the Flea Market people were happier than they were on Friday. Overall, as always. Good show."
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Moseson's view was echoed by Chip Margelli of Vertex Standard -- the Yaesu people:

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Chip Margelli K7JA: "I think Hamvention this year was great. The weather was very cooperative especially on Saturday. This gave us lots of time to talk to customers and describe our products. We think that everybody was in a festive mood and a buying mood and that was good especially with all of the new products we have here. We've had a tremendous time here at Hamvention."
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In reality, Hamvention 2002 was a buyers market. Dealers kept prices low and lots of major ticket items moved across the sales counters. In fact, it was possible to buy a Yaesu FT-817 for under $500.

As to what was new this year? Listen to what some of the company reps brought with them starting with Vertex Standard's Chip Margelli.

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Chip Margelli K7JA: We have introduced new products in every major category. We introduced the Mark V Field high-end HF; the FT-897 second generation `man-pack' portable; the VX7R submersible handheld; the FT-8900 `quad-band' 10 meter, 6 meter, 2 meter and 70 Cm mobile radio and the Wires Internet repeater linking system. So we have had a very busy time."
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Not to be outdone, Kenwood's Leo Famie, KJ6HI, said that those coming to his booth wanted to see a little HT called the F6:

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Leo Famie, KJ6HI: F6, our new HT. A tri-band hand-held covering 2 meters, 220 and 440. It has a receiver from about 500 Kilohertz to 1300 MHz but blocks out cellular telephones. But the neat thing about this radio is its all mode receive in the band B. AM, FM, USB, LSB and CW."
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Famie says that dealers sold well over 300 of these new H-T's making the F6 was a bright star for Kenwood at this years Dayton show.

And what about Icom you ask? We asked Ray Novak, KC7JPA, what was hot and what those coming to the Icom booth wanted to see:

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Ray Novak, KC7JPA: 706 Mark 2 G by far. Also allot of interest in a new digital radio that we have that will give you bandwidth for data equivalent to a T-1 line."
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One guy who always has something new up his sleeve is MFJ's Martin Jue, K5FLU. This year he gave Amateur Radio Newsline a peak at two new goodies. The one that really caught our eye is a high frequency beacon network receiver that is so pretty that it would be as much at home in your livingroom as in your hamshack. Not only that, it lights up a LED on a map to show you what beacon you are actually hearing: Martin gave us a simple explanation of how it works:

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Martin Jue, K5FLU: "The beacons are precisely timed...so everything is exactly right. What we did was to duplicate that timing sequence in here. And we make sure that it is always right because we have an atomic clock receiver in here."
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MFJ also showed its new Morse code interface box. Not only does it decode the C-W signal your receiver is hearing. It also lets you plug in a key, paddle or even a keyboard and send Morse like a pro.

But new gear and great prices were not the only surprises at Hamvention 2002 and we will have more later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARNewsline™)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N7QVK repeater serving Tucson Arizona.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO ASSISTS FOLLOWING UK RAIL ACCIDENT

RAYNET -- the United Kingdom's equivalent of ARES and RACES here in the United States was called out on Friday, May 10th. This, following a railroad crash that occurred in the city of Potters Bar less than one mile from the RSGB Headquarters.

The accident took place at about 1 P-M. G4MWO says that Hertfordshire Raynet County Controller, Trevor Groves, G4KUJ, was contacted at home at 2 P.M. and asked to assist with setting up the local Emergency Control Vehicle. Groves had it operational by 4.20 P.M. He then provided technical and administrative support to the relief administration staff who used it until office accommodations were arranged at about 8 P.M. that evening. (GB2RS)

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RADIO LAW: COMMERCE COMMITTEE VOTES TO DELAY SPECTRUM AUCTION

Back on this side of the Atlantic the House Energy and Commerce Committee approved a measure that would delay the government's June 19th sale of spectrum now used by television broadcasters and sought for wireless services. The panel approved the action on a voice vote May 5th. As previously reported, this legislation was sought by a large segment of both the wireless and broadcast industries. The bill now goes to the House floor for consideration. (Published news reports)

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SPECTRUM SHARING: MOVE OVER DIRECT TV - YOUR SPECTRUM IS ABOUT
TO BE
SHARED

The 12 GHz downlink spectrum used by Direct TV and Echostar is about to shared by terrestrial services. The CGC Communicator says that thanks to a creative idea and a multi-year lobbying effort by Northpoint, the 12.2 to 12.7 GHz band will soon be used for new video and broadband communications services, such as local television programming and high-speed Internet access. Technically, the new service is called "MVDDS," short for Multichannel Video Distribution and Data Service. (CGC Communicator)

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RADIO ACCIDENT: FIRE ATOP THE KCBD-TV TOWER

The C-G-C Communicator also reports that KCBD-TV, in Lubbock, Texas, recently installed a new Andrew batwing antenna designed to accommodate both its channel 11 NTSC and channel 9 digital transmissions. After only five days of operation with just N-T-S-C power applied, there was an apparent arc-over and the
aerial was destroyed by fire. The station resumed NTSC operations using an old Alford antenna located on the same tower. Engineers are trying to determine the cause of the failure. (CGC Communicator)

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GATHERINGS: WEAK SIGNAL BREAKFAST IN NORCAL

The Western States Weak Signal Society and Sidewinders on Two will jointly host a the semi annual "Brunch, Grip and Grin" in Northern California. The Date is Saturday June 1st. The location is Bakers Square in West Sacramento California. As usual, there will be door prizes and a good raffle of a radio. It all starts at 9:30 a-m, Pacific Savings Time. For more information contact W6OMF by e-mail to w6omf@cwnet.com. (VHF Reflector, WSWSS)

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DAYTON 2002 - A YEAR OF SURPRISE - PART 2

Now, continuing with our coverage of Hamvention 2002, lets look at the forums. Emergency communications was this years Hamvention theme and all of the sessions -- about 50 of them -- were in some way dedicated in some way to it. And while we could not visit every one of session, we do know that for all three days the forum rooms were packed. In fact, many sessions had people lined up against the walls and sitting in the aisles. That included our own Ham Radio Town Meeting that featured Popular Communications Editor Harold Ort, N2RLL as the keynote speaker. His theme: Emergency communications means more than just ham radio:

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Harold Ort N2RLL: "I want to say that now is the time to learn to operate with other services in concert and not just with ham radio. That's really my message. And if you are wearing the blinders: If you are wearing the ham radio blinders -- take them off. Please.

I don't have all of the answers but I would like to have folks depart from business as usual. We have allot of smart people out there with specialized know-how.

And that's the beauty of ham radio. We can bring allot of radio users into the emergency communications mix so that we can help to make America safe.

Ladies and gentlemen: If we don't get it after 911, we really never will. Thank you very much. (Applause)
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Ort's message: Its time to break down the barriers that divide us and work together for the good of our nation and the world. Or as Harold

himself said: If we don't get it after 911, we never will.

Another session that drew a stand room only crowd was the FCC forum with Bill Cross, W3TN. That one you can hear right now on the RAIN Report. Its on the web at in streaming audio www.rainreport.com or on the phone at 847-827-7246. (ARNewsline™)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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DAYTON 2002 - A YEAR OF SURPRISE - PART 3

The Hamvention Grand Awards banquet was held on Saturday evening. This years recipients included Owen Garriott W5LFL and Tonly England, W0ORE who shared the Special Achievement award:

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OwenGarriott W5LFL: "As perhaps you could tell from that brief introduction, hamming has been a part of my life for over 55 years. I started with my father and perhaps you can tell from the sequence of events in my professional career hamming was a very strong influence on the direction. I went to undergraduate school, to college and to a professional career after that.

I know that this story is not unique. In fact it wouldn't surprise me if there were some 10% to 20% of those of you in the audience who could provide a similar story about how hamming has influenced your professional career as well as your past-time in the area of ham radio.

I do want to thank all I the Amateur Radio community for the benefit it has been to me in directing and guiding all of my professional interests over the past 55 years: All of the way back to the time that my father asked me to come along to code school, to theory school and ending up in my getting my first license.

It has been a great career and I owe an awful lot of it to Amateur Radio. Thank you."
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Tony England W0ORE: "It was probably in the 9th grade when one of the big blizzards was coming through West Fargo and they sent us home. I remember vividly: My bedroom was up on the 2nd floor. All of the now was blowing by the window and I was playing around with the radio and I was talking to this Pastor at a mission in South America. It was a jungle setting and he was describing what they were doing down there.

And you can imagine what an imagination expanding experience it was for a kid in North Dakota to be able to talk to someone living in the jungle of South America? It was that kind of experience that we were hoping to share when we talked to young peoples groups on Spacelab II through the Amateur Radio system. And it is something that I hope we pass on to other kids.

When maybe one of my granddaughters is a teenager and an Amateur Radio operator I hope that she has the chance to talk to a professional female engineer who is on a spacecraft on its way to one of the moons of Mars. So I hope that all of you keep up this good work and see that this happens. Thank you. (Applause)

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Al Waller, K3TKJ, was next. He received this years Technical Excellence award for creating qsl.net:

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Al Waller K3TKJ: "...With that and the insight of the Dayton Hamvention Awards Committee we have certainly legitimized another mode of communication for ham radio. The Internet is not the enemy of ham radio that I have heard professed so many times. It is just another mode of operation.

Today we have hundreds of thousands of QSL users on the Internet. It is a friendly place. The hobby is better for it and I am honestly proud to be a small part of it."
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Then, the man that everyone was waiting to hear from. The 2002 Radio Amateur of the Year, Hap Holly, KC9RP of RAIN. His closeing remarks brought down the house:

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Hap Holly KC9RP: "In closing, please allow me to borrow from this years Winter Olympics a familiar international theme that sums up my exhilaration at being selected to receive this award. Simply put: `the year 2002 has truly been my Gold Medal year' in the Olympics of Amateur Radio. I am indeed honored to be chosen as Radio Amateur of the Year by the Hamvention, but also to be the first person with disabilities to receive this plaque. Thank you very much. (Applause)
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But there was another surprise. This one involved KC9RP, a radio and a company known as Alinco and our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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Bill Pasternak WA6ITF: "Hi Hap. I'm changing my uniform tonight. I was asked by the wonderful folks at Alinco and ATOC Distributing any by Evelyn Garrison to represent them because they are at a business meeting. But Hap, they would like for you to have...your very own -- brand new -- DJ-196 two meter handheld as their token off appreciation for what you have done and for what you and Stephanie both do. Enjoy it my friend." (Applause)

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But the surprises were over yet. At least not for KC9RP. When the dinner prizes were drawn, the first out of the barrel was Hap Holly. And in addition to the Alinco H-T, Hap also took home a brand new Icom IC-V8000 two meter mobile and base radio.

So what about those who attended. What do they have to say. As everyone was heading out of the HARA Arena following the close of Hamvention 2002, Bob Sherman, K2SJP, summed it up best:

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Bob Sherman K2SJP: "Its the best Hamvention that I have been to."
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K2SJP says that he plans on coming back. Many others Amateur Radio Newsline spoke said the same thing. (ARNewsline™)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: ON THE AIR EVENT
Turning to international news, word from GB2RS that members of the Preston Amateur Radio Society are operating GB2COP until the end of May. This, to celebrate Preston being granted city status during The Queen's jubilee year. Activity is on 40, 20 and 15 metres HF, plus 2 metres and 70 centimeters. QSL GB2COP with an SASE either via the bureau or direct to M1KIT. (GB2RS)

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DX

In D-X, A group of operators from the Kuwait Amateur Radio Society will be active as 9K2F from Failaka Island until the 31st of May. QSL is via 9K2RA either direct or through the bureau. (RSGB)

Also, Team Vertical is heading back to Jamaica for the CQ WPX CW contest. The group will operate from 160 to 6 meters as their home calls slash 6Y5 until the 28th of May. They will participate in the contest as 6Y2A with six full gallon stations. QSL via WA4WTG. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE HAMVENTION THOUGHTS OF W6AQ

And finally this week, another look at Hamvention 2002. This time, through the eyes of a ham who has been to many of them. His name is Dave Bell. His call sign is W6AQ and as Hamvention 2002 was drawing to a close he shared his thoughts with our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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Dave Bell W6AQ: "This was a great Hamvention. Except for the weather on Friday it was absolutely perfect.

Bill Pasternak WA6ITF: "What was the highlight to you?"

Dave Bell W6AQ: "I think that the highlight for me was the special ARRL dinner on Friday night for donors to the ARRL where we heard Joe Taylor, K1JT, give a really, really interesting talk. He has got a big sense of humor for a Nobel Prize winner, I must say."

Bill Pasternak WA6ITF: "We saw allot of new products here. Anything catch your eye?

Dave Bell W6AQ: "Actually the Yaesu FT-1000 Field I probably would have bought instead of the Mark V if it had come out at the same time. And I must say that getting an FT-817 little radio for under $500 broke my heart because I paid twice that."
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Hamvention 2002 is now history, but Hamvention 2003 is now less than a year away. Dave Bell, W6AQ, says he plans to be there. So will we, and we hope to see you there too. (ARNewsline™)

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Before we go, one last call for nominations for our very own Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year award. The final date to postmark a nomination is May 30th. Nominees must be 18 or younger. Full rules and an application is on our website at www.arnewsline.org.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

915. Re: N6WWW Home Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-27 00:04:41 UTC
From: Kevin Gunther <beeltee@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <tKeI8.162422$ja.45011192@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4100
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

"N6WWW" <neonmoonx@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:07VG8.81598$UV4.134327@rwcrnsc54...
> Oops!
>
> It's http://n6www.cjb.net/
>
> Let me know what you think of it. It was a hoot to setup.
>
> Jason - N6WWW
>

Jason:

In reality, the letter "W" has three syllables.

Kevin
W1FWB

916. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-27 00:54:44 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205261654.4d85bc3@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4101

Idontwantspam@net (Gary S.) wrote in message
news:<3cf050bb.82863250@news.bellatlantic.net>...
> I've had no trouble reaching it a few times in the last week.
>
> You might try typing it in again, just www.arrl.org, as some inside
> page you have bookmarked may have changed.
>
> Happy trails,
> Gary (net.yogi.bear)

I have been using the internet since before there were graphical browsers. I know how to access a webpage. It doesn't come up here at work for some reason, on ANY computer. I've even entered the actual IP address and no luck. Every other webpage I access works fine. Any idea what the webpage in question said since I can't access it?

Just FYI - You can also type in arrl.org, arrl.net and www.arrl.net and they all bring you to the same page, except here at work.

917. Kenwood TS-530S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-27 06:50:58 UTC
From: Chris Singleton <ke3mc@goeaston.net>
Message-ID: <RAkI8.80698$To6.26082846@e420r-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4102
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I have a "sick" Kenwood TS-530S HF Rig... It quit transmitting during a special event station exercise on Saturday- Turned it off and after it cooled down, was OK again. Then yesterday, the Rig seemed to lose Drive (12BY7A tube). Replaced Driver and Final (6146B) tubes and worked OK for a few minutes- then lost Drive again. I still have HV and the tube filaments are still on... Anyone have any thoughts??? Any hints would be appreciated!!!

73's.... Chris, KE3MC

918. Re: Kenwood TS-530S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-27 16:50:34 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0205270850.271fda83@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4103
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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news:<RAkI8.80698$To6.26082846@e420r-atl1.usenetserver.com>...
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> (12BY7A tube). Replaced Driver and Final (6146B) tubes and worked OK for a
> few minutes- then lost Drive again. I still have HV and the tube filaments
> are still on... Anyone have any thoughts??? Any hints would be
> appreciated!!!
>
> 73's.... Chris, KE3MC

Could be a few things. Dirty bandswitches can cause that at times.
Wiggle them and see if it kicks in. It's possible you could have loose
resistive tube pins on the driver tube. If this is the case, wiggling
the driver tube will cause it to go off/on. If the pins are resistive,
you will need to resolder them. There is a trap door under that socket
for access. I'd go though and check all boards for loose grounding
screws, plugs, etc, etc. Dunno, it sounds about a 50% chance you have
driver tube pinitus. I had to fix that on my TS-830 once. MK

919. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-27 17:07:32 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3cf264e6.11911698@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4104

On 26 May 2002 17:54:44 -0700, vhfradiobuff@aol.com (vhfradiobuff)
wrote:

>Idontwantspam@net (Gary S.) wrote in message
news:<3cf050bb.82863250@news.bellatlantic.net>...
>> I've had no trouble reaching it a few times in the last week.
>>
>> You might try typing it in again, just www.arrl.org, as some inside
>> page you have bookmarked may have changed.
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>work for some reason, on ANY computer. I've even entered the actual IP
>address and no luck. Every other webpage I access works fine. Any idea
>what the webpage in question said since I can't access it?
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>Just FYI - You can also type in arrl.org, arrl.net and www.arrl.net
>and they all bring you to the same page, except here at work.

No insult intended, just pointing out that I and others had been able
to reach it, so it was unlikely to be that site.

You just mentioned another factor, though, that you are using a
computer at work.

My company, and many others, have implemented "Big Brother" style
browsing, which restricts access to many sites, not always logically.
They restrict the XXX, gambling, and gaming sites of course, but also
those with political opinion, movie clips, and other non-work related
things. Not always consistent.

Also, when bandwidth is tight, they restrict the web browsing even
more to allow the official networking stuff priority. In theory, they
can track all of the web sites you have been to, and how much time you
are spending online with non-company business. In practice, they won't
bother unless there is another reason to follow-up with a specific
employee.

Not a bad idea to speak casually with someone in your local IS group.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

920. FS: Yaesu collection

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-27 17:58:23 UTC
From: Albert Alvareztorres Jr <albert13@cox.net>
Message-ID: <3tuI8.91412$Md6.3232501@news1.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4105

Ham gear for sale.

Cleaning out shack

Yaesu vintage collection selling as complete station

More gear coming as Iget time to catalog

http://www.aa1do.com/zforsale.htm

Al, AA1DO

921. Re: N6WWW Home Page

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-27 20:33:02 UTC
From: N6WWW <neonmoonx@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <2KwI8.44060$352.2158@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4106
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

Good point! Correction noted!

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****
N6WWW's Ham Pages - NEW!
Fantastic Message Boards on VHF/UHF,
QRP, Homebew, Trading, and more!
http://n6www.cjb.net/
****
"Kevin Gunther" <beeltee@optonline.net> wrote in message
news:tKeI8.162422$ja.45011192@news02.optonline.net...
>
> "N6WWW" <neonmoonx@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:07VG8.81598$UV4.134327@rwcrnsc54...
> > Oops!
> >
> > It's http://n6www.cjb.net/
> >
> > Let me know what you think of it. It was a hoot to setup.
> >
> > Jason - N6WWW
> >
>
> Jason:
>
> In reality, the letter "W" has three syllables.
>
> Kevin
> W1FWB
>
>

922. Question: Motorola Model 900 vs. Motororola Model 9000

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-28 11:40:31 UTC
From: LHM <lmilrad@passport.ca>
Message-ID: <P0KI8.112912$ah_.98308@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4107
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Can anyone please explain the fundamental differences between the above 2 models?

Many thanks.

Lou

923. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-28 12:34:17 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020528083417.18705.00000764@mb-dd.aol.com>
Source record: 4108

I will be attempting to start a club for the purpose of experimentation in the Baltimore, Maryland area. I do not expect many joiners, due to lack of advertising, and especially since it is summer time.

My posting was intended to guage interest, not to plug my club. Also, I do not want to compete with Ham Radio, just add another segment which I feel is missing. I do not feel other clubs, including QRP(low power), offer this. I would like others to start similar clubs nationwide.

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The experimenter's club would be open to anyone interested in electronics, any licence class, or unlicenced welcome. Those unlicenced will of course be encouraged to get the (no-code) licence.

Hams, students, professionals are all welcome to join. No test to join, but code advocates, contesters, codeword jargon users are not encouraged to join. There are plenty of other clubs for those interests.

924. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-28 14:14:31 UTC
From: Jake Brodsky <frussle@erols.com>
Message-ID: <l327fucnn6v01r4oo8cgdgursrh89l1tio@4ax.com>
Source record: 4109
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

On Sat, 25 May 2002 02:16:12 GMT, Randy & Cara randall
<crrandal@earthlink.net> wrote:

>If I was the seller and heard this, why would I bother taking
>an item to any fest? I'd sell it on Ebay and pocket the $$$ instead of
>making someone else rich.

This is something illusory that I suspect will slowly disappear.
People forget the time value of money. Yeah, sure, they'll earn an
extra $20 here or $30 there --but how much did they shell out to get
that money? And what about the botched sales where they end up taking
a loss?

It may be true that the true flea market nature of Dayton and other
hamfests may slowly attenuate as time goes on. Further, as people get
burned more and more on E-Bay, I think that flea-markets will go up in
price because you can see and poke at the things people are selling
while E-Bay's prices will go down some. At a flea market you can
actually see what you're buying and you can pay for it and carry it
away on the spot.

And by the way, hamfests are not just about flea markets. Yes, that's
a big part of them. However, there are still symposia, VEC testing,
socializing, and yes, even operating various radios and the like.

73,

Jake Brodsky, AB3A mailto:frussle@erols.com
"Beware of the massive impossible!"

925. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-29 01:20:36 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3cf42af7.9993653@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4110

On 28 May 2002 12:34:17 GMT, vshah101@aol.com (Vshah101) wrote:

>I will be attempting to start a club for the purpose of experimentation in the
>Baltimore, Maryland area. I do not expect many joiners, due to lack of
>advertising, and especially since it is summer time.
>
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>
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>code advocates, contesters, codeword jargon users are not encouraged to join.
>There are plenty of other clubs for those interests.
>
I think you are within the boundaries of what the ARRL covers. Hams
have a variety of interests, and even the traditional ones who look
down upon "appliance operators" should support your idea. Personally,
I have minimal interest in contesting, but I have other interests
within ham radio.

ARRL membership or club affiliation does not require being licensed,
merely being interested in radio communications. (You may need to be a
licensed amateur for certain things).

If you start something similar when you return to the Boston area, I'd
be interested in finding out about it.
Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

926. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-29 03:42:07 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205281942.737ffdaa@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4111

Idontwantspam@net (Gary S.) wrote in message
news:<3cf264e6.11911698@news.bellatlantic.net>...
> No insult intended, just pointing out that I and others had been able
> to reach it, so it was unlikely to be that site.

Actually, in another reply someone had posted that the ARRL was having
troubles which caused some people to be unable to access the site.

> You just mentioned another factor, though, that you are using a
> computer at work.
>
> My company, and many others, have implemented "Big Brother" style
> browsing, which restricts access to many sites, not always logically.
> They restrict the XXX, gambling, and gaming sites of course, but also
> those with political opinion, movie clips, and other non-work related
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>
> Also, when bandwidth is tight, they restrict the web browsing even
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> can track all of the web sites you have been to, and how much time you
> are spending online with non-company business. In practice, they won't
> bother unless there is another reason to follow-up with a specific
> employee.
>
> Not a bad idea to speak casually with someone in your local IS group.
>
> Happy trails,
> Gary (net.yogi.bear)

Still never told me what the original URL said about the origin of ham
radio...

927. Re: How did "HAM" originate? (Was: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-29 03:49:40 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0205281949.2d9ae2c9@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4112

"WG" <nojunk@mail.com> wrote in message
news:<nL_H8.16272$cL4.314706@news1.telusplanet.net>...
> Ham: a poor operator. A 'plug.'"
>
<snip>

I have read that information from the ARRL webpage and I don't believe that is accurate. I have not really researched the information that I posted on my webpage, I found it and thought it sounded credible. I have emailed the webmaster at the ARRL and have invited him to read my page and see what he thinks. Perhaps the ARRL can shed some light on the whole topic. If anyone can add anything or can refute the information that I have posted at http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com/hamhistory.html, please let me know.

928. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-29 04:14:26 UTC
From: Bob McConnell <rmcconne.NOSPAM@lightlink.com>
Message-ID: <5qv8fu480kbpbojelehqho3j2kkkq0ks2h@4ax.com>
Source record: 4113

On 28 May 2002 12:34:17 GMT, vshah101@aol.com (Vshah101) wrote:

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>
>Hams, students, professionals are all welcome to join. No test to join, but
>code advocates, contesters, codeword jargon users are not encouraged to join.
>There are plenty of other clubs for those interests.

All you need for ARRL afiliation is that more than 60% of your members
pay the ARRL membership fee. They only want the money and body count
that they can throw at the FCC and other agencies to bolster their
claim that they speak for all hams and amateur radio operators.

You should also look at the W5YI organization to see if they meet your
needs a little better. They don't appear to be as elitist as the ARRL.

Bob McConnell
N2SPP

929. Re: Dayton reports??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-29 16:45:36 UTC
From: DrPepper@iwvisp.com
Message-ID: <3cf50313.7001071@news.iwvisp.com>
Source record: 4114
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.shortwave

I couldn't dissagree more, , , , , ,

I have bought several radios on Ebay at prices that would blow your
mind. How about a IC-751 for $300 bucks? Works and looks like new.
I also bought an IC-=735 a year ago for $500, and it also was like
new. Yes, I had some minor problems when I first started using Ebay,
but you just have to learn the ways of bidding.

MY complaint with "new" radios is that the damn knobs are too small,
they seem to be built for midgets and children.

Anyway, Ebay is for INTELLIGENT buyers and can give some trerriffic
buys , , , , ,Just don't let the price get away from you. I find that
it is better to snipe. My 10 second bids have almost always won. and I
never, never, ever, raise my maximum spending amount.

73 de WB6GKI

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On Wed, 22 May 2002 13:06:06 GMT, "HoopyKloopie" <postodplugs@aol.com>
wrote:

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>"Joe Leikhim" <jleikhim@nettally.com> wrote in message
>news:3CEAF4B9.18EFB11@nettally.com...
>> Maybe the way around it is to have some e-bay auctions on site. Bidders
>could
>> view the stuff, then run back to their laptops (or nearby computer kiosks)
>and
>> put in a bid. The auctions could run 2 to 48 hours.
>>
>> Laugh about it, but time will come when you will get outbid by somebody
>using a
>> PDA and Bluetooth standing right behind you. The dealers would love it.
>
>I'd never buy radio gear on E-Bay.
>All E-Bay represents is a "feeding frenzie"
>type market for ham gear. What I see people
>paying for ham gear on E-Bay leads me to
>belive that there's an awful lot "shill bidding"
>going on. Something that I would not put past
>some of the so-called "private dealers" that
>I used to see travelling to all the hamfests
>like gypsy traders. You know, the guys that

>buy up all the honest bargans offered for new
>hams by the old-timers, that show up an hour
>later on their table or on E-Bay for double the
>price or more. Buy used ham radio equipment
>on E-Bay...?? Anyone who does so should have
>their head examined.
>

930. Re: HELP! FT-11R Urgent Info Needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-29 18:01:53 UTC
From: isgs294@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <56e0cd4a.0205291001.583ef9e2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4115

Being that this is a ham radio, I dont see the urgency to program
freqs.I would hope your agency would be providing radio's for use in
your paramedic duties.

"A.K. Forsyth" <akforsyth@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:<0ljH8.2246$PM1.173037@news2.telusplanet.net>...
> If anyone can help me I would definately appreciate it. I have a Yaesu
> FT-11R that has somehow lost it's programming. No big deal, except that I
> do not have my book with me and I am a paramedic away at work right now. I
> have to program some of my basic channels back in using the keypad and
> cannot remember how. If someone could steer me in the direction of online
> manuals or a summary of how to do it again I would be extremely greatful.
> Thanks.

931. Re: How did "HAM" originate? (Was: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 01:32:18 UTC
From: k6lcs@clintbradford.com
Message-ID: <fc08b778.0205291732.2d1d6afc@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4116

vhfradiobuff@aol.com (vhfradiobuff) wrote in message
news:<5e5fccab.0205281949.2d9ae2c9@posting.google.com>...
> > Ham: a poor operator. A 'plug.'"

Let's put this to rest once and for all...

The Origin of the Term, "Ham"

Before we got involved in this magnificent hoppy, HAM was an acronym
for, "Have A lot of Money."

But once you're sucked into it, it stands for, "Had A lot of Money."

Clint Bradford, K6LCS

932. Re: Radio Sounds

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 01:49:37 UTC
From: First Last <nobody@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <Xns921DD3DC9A932nobodynowherecom@204.127.202.16>
Source record: 4117

"on4pj" <on4pj@pi.be> wrote in news:aclubn$1m8$1@reader07.wxs.nl:

> Hello,
> Just found something in my 'archives' ... probably there are
> other
> sites, but this might help you.

Thanks!

933. Re: Radio Sounds

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 01:50:37 UTC
From: First Last <nobody@nowhere.com>
Message-ID: <Xns921DD408861Cnobodynowherecom@204.127.202.16>
Source record: 4118

"Ralph Mowery" <rmowery@dialpoint.net> wrote in news:acme86$1hp0$1
@newsreader.cetlink.net:

> http://www.muenster.de/%7Ewelp/sb.htm

I tried that with SSTV and it worked pretty well. I'll try it for some
other types though. Thanks for the link!

934. Old callsign - old callbook?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 04:33:41 UTC
From: Fred Hoyt <fh@san.rr.com>
Message-ID: <FYhJ8.22716$R53.9869482@twister.socal.rr.com>
Source record: 4119

I'm trying to establish that I was licensed before 1987 in order to upgrade to General. Does anyone still have a pre-1987 callbook listing my call sign?
Thanks,
Fred Hoyt, N6DPN

935. receiving ham signals on Sony SW7600g

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 12:27:14 UTC
From: ashish.balaya@honeywell.com
Message-ID: <ad55r2$k5a$1@xuxa.iecc.com>
Source record: 4120
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.broadcasting

I have a Sony SW7600g for about a year now, great radio. I was in the US and could receive some ham signals on SSB while there. I'm currently back in India and have been trying to receive some ham stations but have been unsuccessful so far. I have a 20 foot randomwire antenna strung up in my living room that I use, mostly at night (around 1700 UTC), but can't get anything.

Any ideas on what I can do to catch some ham stations? Any special bands I should listen on in this part of the world? I picked up a couple of pages on the web listing the ham bands and have been trying on the 160, 80, 40, 30, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 m, but could barely catch a couple of stations. I did get something on the 15m band last night, but just couldn't clear it up. It didn't seem to be English, so I gave up.

Any help would be greatly appreciated, especially if there are ham operators in India who transmit at night - I would love to hear you guys. I'm in Bangalore, in the Southern part of India. Also, anyone in any other country who thinks I might catch him can send me mail. That would be a real thrill - getting someone from so far away.

Thanks in advance,
Balaya

936. What's power level is "Low Power" for ARRL contests?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 14:09:13 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020530100913.16523.00001039@mb-mp.aol.com>
Source record: 4121

I was wondering if anyone knew what the ARRL considered "Low power" for it's contests.

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
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937. Multimode vs. all mode?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 14:10:21 UTC
From: abodo@netnitco.net
Message-ID: <8a3dbede.0205300610.7a45c296@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4122

Greetings all!....haven't been active for a few years now....what is the difference between "Multi-mode" and "all-mode" gear?..tnx & 73's tony wa9yoz

938. Re: Multimode vs. all mode?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 14:21:49 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020530102149.16523.00001044@mb-mp.aol.com>
Source record: 4123

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>the difference between "Multi-mode" and "all-mode" gear?..tnx & 73's
>tony wa9yoz
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All mode would suggest that a radio has FM, AM, CW, USB, LSB (all of the basic emission modes). A multimode would have more than one mode, but not all, like my Icom IC-290A, which is 2m with FM, USB, LSB and CW. It's lacking AM, a mode I would like to have, although the AM activity on 2m is rare. Some radios call themselves All mode, even though they often lack AM or LSB.
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939. Re: What's power level is "Low Power" for ARRL contests?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-30 21:21:21 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3CF697D1.C8ED7061@rac.ca>
Source record: 4124

150 W PEP for HF

see http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-all.html

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VA3PKH

VHFRadioBuff wrote:

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940. Re: receiving ham signals on Sony SW7600g

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 02:28:26 UTC
From: Gary Schnabl <badBadger@badBadger.com>
Message-ID: <ad6n4a$4g5$1@xuxa.iecc.com>
Source record: 4125
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.broadcasting

(OT): I have an AM tuner that picks up W1AW's code practice sessions nightly on the 160 meter band while tuned to 800 KHz CKLW. I can listen and make out both of them if I'm not too distracted. I also can mentally filter out one or the other. Poor image rejection...

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Gary Schnabl
(Southwest) Detroit
2 miles NORTH of Canada - Windsor, that is...

"balaya" <ashish.balaya@honeywell.com> wrote in message
news:ad55r2$k5a$1@xuxa.iecc.com...
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941. Re: What's power level is "Low Power" for ARRL contests?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 05:45:40 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020531014540.07816.00001560@mb-fv.aol.com>
Source record: 4126

>150 W PEP for HF
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>see http://www.arrl.org/contests/announcements/rules-all.html
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Guess I should have been more specific. I want to know what qualifies as low
power in the upcoming VHF contest. That link didn't seem to contain any info
about power levels.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
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942. Program DIPCAGE1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 11:13:13 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <ad7ls8$gn1$1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4127

NOW AVAILABLE program "DIPCAGE1.exe"

RESONANT LENGTH, END-EFFECT, BANDWIDTH, INPUT RESISTANCE OF 1/2-WAVE DIPOLE.

This is a little more accurate version of WIRECAGE.exe which it replaces. It may be found easier to understand and use. It computes the resonant length, end-effect, bandwidth versus various SWR points, receiving 3dB bandwidth, center feedpoint input resistance at resonance, etc. Input resistance values are somewhat smaller than usually stated but this is not of great consequence since in practice there are a number of sources of uncertainty affecting this non-critical parameter.

The dipole conductor may be any wire gauge, rod or tube, or a cylindrical cage of any number of wires. The usual facilities are available to vary antenna dimensions and number of wires in small increments while observing computed output values.

This program is more of educational than practical value since it will be seen that at HF the trouble and expense of increasing antenna diameter is not justified by the trivial improvement in bandwidth which might be obtained.

DIPCAGE1 is contained in one 36.5 KiloBytes file. Download from website below in a few seconds. No unzipping inconvenience. Run immediately. Or it can be run without downloading.

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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
Free Radio Modelling Software
Go to http://www.g4fgq.com
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943. Re: What's power level is "Low Power" for ARRL contests?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 11:15:11 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3CF75B3F.CD08B270@rac.ca>
Source record: 4128

If you note the page name it is "rules-all" if you don't want the HF info
I gave, follow the VHF link

VHFRadioBuff wrote:

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944. The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 16:15:57 UTC
From: Steve Bossert <kc2gog@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <1INJ8.218884$ja.60919162@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4129
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

If their were less questions and arguments about 800Mhz Analog Cellular mods and recievers,Citizens Band and also morse code for amateurs, , most newsgroups would have no posts.

instead of whining about these issues, why dont you find something else constructive to do with your time. bulid an antenna, make a reciever or some other gadget. Then you let others know what you are doing and someone improves on your idea.

I know i will see alot of problems regarding my message but its true. here are my thoughts for the record.

Cellular Scanners-- Why do people want a 800Mhz full coverage reciever today. Most areas are using some form of digital service, and not even in the 800 band anymore. What is so interesting about listening to cellphones? Ive had radios that are capable of it, and never even listened to that portion. I think you just want something that has no gaps, and are willing to pay more for something that most wont listen to. If its so good how come i never see monitoring posts about how Mary got her nails done?
Unless you are in the FBI and are trying to foil the next terrorist action, dont be bothered with cellular capable scanners

Morse Code-- have you looked at new licenses lately, looks like our ranks are dropping. Ive been a Tech(No-Code) for three years and would like to use HF but could care less about morse code. Its an antiquated mode, which had its time, although still usefull sometimes, if we keep saying we need Morse code, us amateurs will be way behind times(which we still are). Lots of people say, when a repeater ID's or i am tuning around the morse sub bands, "Is that Morse Code, someone still uses that?" I say yes, its part of amateur radio. The person whom im talking to usually says "ill just go to Walmart and get those radios for $50 and dont worry about the code" Amateurs now adays need to concentrate about leading edge technology, like we once did, and stop hanging on to the past. PSk31, APRS, IRLP, and satellite is the future, so we should stop saying amateur radio is only HF and Morse. The military does not use MOrse anymore, they use ALE type signals, which is faster, and almost error free .Those of you that have been around for a while should get off your "Extra or Advanced" horses and get some new blood into amateur radio. Also a Tech (no code) IS still an amateur, so we should be treated like one. I hear it all the time, Im speaking to someone about some technical topic, and they happen to be at QRZ.com and look up my call. Then they say how come your only a tech? didnt you pass the code test? i say no and dont want to be bothered. "well its been good talking to you, 73" is the common response. And also those that upgraded, change their whole demeanor towards you like they dont remember you. WOW!! your a general,

advanced, or extra! can you set up a packet node, or work a satellite via a digital mode. NO, gee i guess that morse code is really good!

Citizens Band- Those that are on SSB are almost like amateurs, and some wont get a license because they dont like the dryness of amateur radio. Regular AM'ers are usually a 50/50 bunch, some are the nicest and most helpfull people youll ever meet, and the others, well you know what im talking about.Amateur ops always complain about how 11m was stolen and CB'ers dont know anything. Well guess what, if its about amplifiers(yes ILLEGAL on 11m), DXing (less than 125 miles wink wink) or just general radio stuff, some know more than some amateurs. If a "general" is confronted by one of these CB'ers they say "well your so smart do you know Morse code" CB'er replies "NO!!". That amateur will either leave or will find what channel they are on and throw a carrier or send code with his friends. This is not the way!!! "cant we all just get along"

well thats it for now, if i made any spelling or puncuation errors, oh well!!

Sincerly,

Steve Bossert , KC2GOG (tech and proud of it)

and i dont need to hide behind an alias like some others out there!!!

945. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 18:08:27 UTC
From: Bart Bailey <bartman@nethere.net>
Message-ID: <3CF7BC1A.FDD31778@amsat.org>
Source record: 4130
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Steve Bossert wrote:

> If their were less questions and arguments about 800Mhz Analog Cellular mods
> and recievers,Citizens Band and also morse code for amateurs, , most
> newsgroups would have no posts.

At least the radio oriented ones, it seems.
I subscribe to some where radio is rarely mentioned.

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> Cellular Scanners-- Why do people want a 800Mhz full coverage reciever
> today. Most areas are using some form of digital service, and not even in
> the 800 band anymore. What is so interesting about listening to cellphones?
> Ive had radios that are capable of it, and never even listened to that
> portion. I think you just want something that has no gaps,

It's the onerous mix of bad politics and technology.
(keep your laws off my body, and out of my receiver)

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> i never see monitoring posts about how Mary got her nails done?
> Unless you are in the FBI and are trying to foil the next terrorist action,
> dont be bothered with cellular capable scanners

I don't think any readily available "scanners" (blocked or not)
cover the sat phone bands where the FBI is concentrating.

> Morse Code-- have you looked at new licenses lately, looks like our ranks
> are dropping. Ive been a Tech(No-Code) for three years and would like to use
> HF but could care less about morse code.

Now that the ionosphere is shot to hell,
that's sort of a moot point.

> Its an antiquated mode,

Just as a paper and ink book is.
Some folks (like me) are hopelessly nostalgic, though.

> which had
> its time, although still usefull sometimes, if we keep saying we need Morse
> code, us amateurs will be way behind times(which we still are).

If being contemporary is important,
and working the world is an objective,

then get a cell phone.
A multi-minute call plan,
3 watts,
and you have anywhere on the globe with Q5 clarity.
Up to date?
Get your cell phone in a color scheme to match your Hilfiger's or FuBu.

> Lots of
> people say, when a repeater ID's or i am tuning around the morse sub bands,
> "Is that Morse Code, someone still uses that?" I say yes, its part of
> amateur radio. The person whom im talking to usually says "ill just go to
> Walmart and get those radios for $50 and dont worry about the code"

That's just the niche of users that GMRS and FRS (and originally CB) were
designated for.
.....and $50?
Walmart (Santee CA) has Bellsouth Communicators (FRS) for less than $10
....hellofa deal.

> Amateurs
> now adays need to concentrate about leading edge technology, like we once
> did, and stop hanging on to the past.

Been down to HRO lately?
Several kilobucks will get you all the leading edge technology you can afford.

> PSk31, APRS, IRLP, and satellite is
> the future, so we should stop saying amateur radio is only HF and Morse.

They are "both" amateur radio,
all the digital gimmickry you referred to above,
as well as the old brass pounders on the "long bands".

> The military does not use MOrse anymore, they use ALE type signals, which is
> faster, and almost error free .Those of you that have been around for a
> while should get off your "Extra or Advanced" horses and get some new blood
> into amateur radio.

No thanks.
That's the equipment vendors that want more customers.
The bands are crowded enough (when they are open)
without any more impatient "new blood".

> Also a Tech (no code) IS still an amateur, so we should
> be treated like one. I hear it all the time, Im speaking to someone about
> some technical topic, and they happen to be at QRZ.com and look up my call.
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> no and dont want to be bothered. "well its been good talking to you, 73" is
> the common response.

There's arrogance everywhere you go in life, not just hams.

> And also those that upgraded, change their whole
> demeanor towards you like they dont remember you. WOW!! your a general,

> advanced, or extra! can you set up a packet node, or work a satellite via a
> digital mode. NO, gee i guess that morse code is really good!

Now you are starting to sound like a sniveling sour grape whiner.

> Citizens Band- Those that are on SSB are almost like amateurs, and some wont
> get a license because they dont like the dryness of amateur radio.

A real comedy show too.
"I'm QRT and standing by" ;-)
If ham is so bad,
why don't they develop their own set of brevity codes,
instead of making such a pathetic attempt at plagiarizing from the hams?
With all the superfluous and obsequious blather on freeband,
the use of any shorthand isn't expedient or even necessary.

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> people youll ever meet, and the others, well you know what im talking
> about.

Just like in the real world.

> Amateur ops always complain about how 11m was stolen and CB'ers dont
> know anything.

I think you are being too broad in your assessment here.
Damn few hams of today even remember the late 50's,
let alone the transference of a scarcely used band to the general public.
(the lowest common denominator aspect didn't emerge until well into the 60's)

> Well guess what, if its about amplifiers(yes ILLEGAL on 11m),
> DXing (less than 125 miles wink wink) or just general radio stuff, some know
> more than some amateurs.

My 10m amp was made by someone who caters to the CB market.
Parts is parts,
and if he can sling 'em together better and cheaper than Mirage,
then that's where I'm gonna buy it.

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> throw a carrier or send code with his friends. This is not the way!!! "cant
> we all just get along"

Maybe you should look beyond the boundaries of the radio community.
You'll likely see that what you're complaining about is part of human nature,
and radio is just reflecting those squabbles within its own scope.

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Neither do I

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~Bart~

946. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 19:32:07 UTC
From: Dan/W4NTI <w4nti@mindspringnospam.com>
Message-ID: <ad8j3g$4nn$1@slb6.atl.mindspring.net>
Source record: 4131
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Very interesting indeed Steve. I have but on question...what kind of goofs do you talk to anyway? I've never heard anyone ask or make comments like you say have been said to you concerning CW.

And guess what Steve....I've got my Extra, had it a while now, and I do satellite, and V/Uhf weak signal, and HF and Contest, etc. etc. I do it on voice, digital and believe it or not CW. So please don't stick us all in this bag you apparantly have created.

If you don't care to do CW...fine...less QRM from a lid to contend with. I could care less if folks like you, that apparantly hate CW, don't want to operate CW. Why do you think that bothers types like me that enjoy it?

Dan/W4NTI

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947. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 20:01:38 UTC
From: Steve Bossert <kc2gog@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <CEQJ8.220472$ja.61382271@news02.optonline.net>
Source record: 4132
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

i did not want my post to come out in a negative way, and i should not of even of bothered to write, because i ended up addng fuel to the fire.

i really should of made the point that when radio communication first began, it was all about improving technology. i really dont see that anymore, and i am NOT talking about buying a station. thats just like some rich guy buying a brand new Harley Davidson and custom leathers, trying to pass himself as a hardcore biker.

and by the way i am not a LID, and its what ever floats your boat (as far as what mode you operate)

all im saying if you hold on to the past you cant go foward (i.e Morse Code)

if certain people enjoy Morse dont force it upon others, just like i am NOT making you agrre with any of my statements, they are open forum, and oh by the way

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948. What HF mobile radios have best noise blankers?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-05-31 23:52:59 UTC
From: Ed Juge/NM <ed@juge.org>
Message-ID: <3cf80cc4.0@oracle.zianet.com>
Source record: 4133

In recent years, I seem to have bought cars with horrible HF noise problems. First it was a '94 Ford Explorer. This time, a 2000 Dodge Durango. Explorer noise is legendary. The Durango is much better, but I still have what appears to be relatively bad ignition noise. My Yaesu FT-900's NB, plus a ClearSpeech DSP makes it usable (S6-7 noise at best) but I would like to do better. It's all coming in on the antenna so I've done all the bonding things on the car. I guess a shielded ignition might help, but I wasted $200+ on one of those many years ago and it did **absolutely nothing**.

Just wonder if those of you -- who may have experience with several mobile rigs-- would care to comment on which, if any, have truly outstanding blankers.

Thanks... Ed, W5EJ

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From: ----------
Ed Juge
Ruidoso, New Mexico
email: ed@juge.org
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Cell: 505-430-7209
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949. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-01 00:00:01 UTC
From: Dan/W4NTI <w4nti@mindspringnospam.com>
Message-ID: <ad92q2bjr1@slb2.atl.mindspring.net>
Source record: 4134
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

OK, understood. I'll let the 'real' LIDS out there read your Morse at the end.

Dan/W4NTI

"Steve Bossert" <kc2gog@amsat.org> wrote in message news:CEQJ8.220472$ja.61382271@news02.optonline.net...
> i did not want my post to come out in a negative way, and i should not of
> even of bothered to write, because i ended up addng fuel to the fire.
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> i really should of made the point that when radio communication first began,
> it was all about improving technology. i really dont see that anymore, and i
> am NOT talking about buying a station. thats just like some rich guy buying
> a brand new Harley Davidson and custom leathers, trying to pass himself as a
> hardcore biker.
>
> and by the way i am not a LID, and its what ever floats your boat (as far as
> what mode you operate)
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> all im saying if you hold on to the past you cant go foward (i.e Morse Code)
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> if certain people enjoy Morse dont force it upon others, just like i am NOT
> making you agrre with any of my statements, they are open forum, and oh by
> the way
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Message-ID: <3cf815f9.0@oracle.zianet.com>
Source record: 4135
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi, Steve...

Ham radio is such a large, diverse group that ANYONE can find things that are repulsive to him or her. In other walks of life, we just avoid folks whose behavior we object to, but on ham radio, that's hard to do. In my case, the list of things that drive me up walls isn't too long, but --for example-- my top three are...

1. The "personal" here is Bill.
2. Please help... I **NEED** modifications for my new radio... ANY modifications!
3. If you don't know code (preferably 20wpm) you're not a real ham.

Refering to one's name as a "personal" is repulsive to me. I guess it migrated from CB... dunno. Then I think about the term "handle," which was common during my first 30 years. I used it too, though I haven't in years. "Handle" conjures up interesting pictures and certainly is no less ridiculous than "personal," so I just keep my mouth shut and move on.

Hams who spend good money on new radios and then simply cannot LIVE without modifying them makes me wonder why they bought 'em in the first place. Most of the mods won't ever be used and probably void the warranty. Dumb, dumb, dumb!

The worst behavior on the ham bands in frequently the Extra/Advanced class portions. I know many no-code techs I much prefer as friends rather than some of the higher-class bigoted jerks in our hobby. I am Extra class but I consider this elitist attitude to be the epitome of ignorance. They probably think the same of me.

Anyway... until this message, I have never mentioned any of these pet peeves on the internet, and probably won't again. The point is, there are lots of different kinds of people in this world. Though it sometmes takes effort, I just accept those differences and move on. I tell myself it's verbal "people-watching."

73 & Good luck... Ed Juge, W5EJ

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-01 01:38:55 UTC
From: JT <ff-micp@spamsuxattbi.com>
Message-ID: <PAVJ8.78501$352.4564@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 4136
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I think someone:
a) Had their cellular capable scanner confiscated
b) Did not pass the Morse code test
c) Transmits illegally on CB with a linear
d) Forgot their Prozac today.

:)

Don't take life too seriously; you'll hurt yourself.

JT
K6JBT

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Date: 2002-06-01 05:54:11 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0205312154.4d0eb54f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4137
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I see very few of those type posts where I lurk...
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> constructive to do with your time. bulid an antenna, make a reciever or some
> other gadget. Then you let others know what you are doing and someone
> improves on your idea.

I'm not concerned about those issues. As far as gadgets, I already
have too many as it is. I can barely walk around in this room and have
two walk in closets full to the ceilings with more even more gadgets.
I have so many gadgets, I have to do an inventory every few years to
refresh my memory on what I have. I have gadgets that I've long since
forgotten about. I've got other gadgets that I've never even tried or
plugged in yet, but I feel should be kept anyway just to further
clutter up this room. You can never have too many gadgets. Trust me on
this. But it best to keep them all a secret or else all your radio
buddys and buddettes will be over trying to scuzz all your gadgets out
from under you.

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Whats true?
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> today.

Dunno... Did you try asking them?

Most areas are using some form of digital service, and not even in
> the 800 band anymore. What is so interesting about listening to cellphones?

Dunno..
> Ive had radios that are capable of it, and never even listened to that
> portion.

Thats mighty "tech" of you.

I think you just want something that has no gaps, and are willing
> to pay more for something that most wont listen to.

Right on. Capitalism at it's greatest.

If its so good how come
> i never see monitoring posts about how Mary got her nails done?

She keeps it a secret.

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I never let scanners bother me. They know I can smash them in a single
throw.

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> are dropping.

I don't think the ranks are dropping. The stream of newcomers may be
slowing down though. I would think that is fairly normal considering
the "rush" of new no-code techs, etc that jumped on the bandwagon in
the past few years is slowing. The "boom" of entry level tickets
issued in the past few years was "no-code" test induced for the most
part. Most in the past that wanted tickets, but didn't want code, have
already grabbed them up.

Ive been a Tech(No-Code) for three years and would like to use
> HF but could care less about morse code. Its an antiquated mode, which had
> its time, although still usefull sometimes,

Most of the present modes are old hat. This includes CW, AM, FM, SSB.
They were all old hat modes when I got a ticket 25 years ago. So
what?
They are still fairly useful aren't they? Or do you propose we dump
all old modes? I think we should be fair about this. If you are going
to dump one old mode, might as well dump em all.

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Who is saying this? The only reason we have code tests today is
because international treaty requires it.

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Well, maybe that would be for the best.

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No that is incorrect. PSK31, APRS, IRLP, and satellites are the
present. In fact, satellites are fairly old hat. Been in orbit since
the 50's. I guess we better dump em cuz they are old hat , huh? Being
so old, it couldn't be possible for them to be very useful anymore.
Right?

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> faster, and almost error free .

So? I'll alert the media...

Those of you that have been around for a
> while should get off your "Extra or Advanced" horses and get some new blood
> into amateur radio.

New blood? What are you talking about? None of my rf devices use
blood. Is this a new amplifier cooling technique?

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Well, I've never kicked or slapped a no code tech yet. Where's the
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What? If the no code tech works new fangled modes, will he forget all
this if he upgrades? What will happen to you if you upgrade some day?
Will you turn into a veggie overnight, or will this be a gradual
transition to a state of mental blankness? I work all these new
fangled modes, but still prefer cw if I'm just getting on the radio to
have a few relaxing qso's. Its more fun. Most new fangled modes are
actually pretty boring once the "new" wears off. Myself, I think you
are worrying too much about what others think. Who cares what they
think?

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> AM'ers are usually a 50/50 bunch, some are the nicest and most helpfull
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> about.Amateur ops always complain about how 11m was stolen and CB'ers dont
> know anything. Well guess what, if its about amplifiers(yes ILLEGAL on 11m),
> DXing (less than 125 miles wink wink) or just general radio stuff, some know

> more than some amateurs.

And many don't. So?

If a "general" is confronted by one of these CB'ers
> they say "well your so smart do you know Morse code" CB'er replies "NO!!".

Why is the cb'er confronting the ham? Dunno, he sounds kind of
hyperactive to me...

> That amateur will either leave or will find what channel they are on and
> throw a carrier or send code with his friends. This is not the way!!! "cant
> we all just get along"

Well, which is it? If the ham leaves, wouldn't he then be a non issue?
If he gets on the cb band and causes interference, he's a bad boy.
Riley will deal with him someday. If he sends code to his friends, he
would then be a non issue again. Crap....You've got me confused....

>
> well thats it for now, if i made any spelling or puncuation errors, oh
> well!!

oh well...
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> Sincerly,
>
> Steve Bossert , KC2GOG (tech and proud of it)

Mark Keith , NM5K (amateur extra and could care less)
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> and i dont need to hide behind an alias like some others out there!!!

Just call me "Gadget man".

:/

953. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-01 08:01:40 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <Eb%J8.12404$qA.262237@news2.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4138
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I guess that I have to chuck in my 2 cents for what it is worth.
1) I do enjoy listing to phones. It use to be fun when Dial a Drug was in full swing and you could listen to your neighbors phoning for a 8 ball of coke or a few points of heroin. Now they have all gone digital and it is just a bunch of old ladies talking about what they are going to cook for supper. The police and fire here are also in the 800 MHz band crypted digital.
2) I was on CB back in the 70s and 80s and also ran out-law with a self converted Kenwood TS-520. I do remember the fights and vandalism, (cutting coax and pulling antennas down) that was going on back then by the CBers. I liked the camaraderie of the local hams so I got my ticket to get away from the bs on 11 meters. Now I noticed that some bands like 2 meters are starting to go like CB went in the late 70s dead keys and echo machines on the repeaters and I wonder if this is because we have removed the CW filter allowing the problem children from CB into the ham ranks.
3) From the latest statistics I have heard is that Ham is having a 1 % per year growth and I think that is good but most of the new hams that I have run into give it up in the first year or two because of the interference on 2 meters and the, "this is my repeter so get off" come backs. This is what will kill us for sure.
4) CB was put in the wrong place on 11 meters and the governments are now finely rectifying that with FRS and the like on UHF. I would like to see FRS get more power, 5 watts or so and the use of repeaters but it is questionable if that will happen.
I guess that I have said my piece and now to watch the TROLLS and FLAMES come out.

"Steve Bossert" <kc2gog@amsat.org> wrote in message news:CEQJ8.220472$ja.61382271@news02.optonline.net...
> i did not want my post to come out in a negative way, and i should not of
> even of bothered to write, because i ended up addng fuel to the fire.
>
> i really should of made the point that when radio communication first began,
> it was all about improving technology. i really dont see that anymore, and i
> am NOT talking about buying a station. thats just like some rich guy buying
> a brand new Harley Davidson and custom leathers, trying to pass himself as a
> hardcore biker.
>
> and by the way i am not a LID, and its what ever floats your boat (as far

as
> what mode you operate)
>
> all im saying if you hold on to the past you cant go foward (i.e Morse
Code)
>
> if certain people enjoy Morse dont force it upon others, just like i am
NOT
> making you agrre with any of my statements, they are open forum, and oh by
> the way
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> > to pay more for something that most wont listen to. If its so good how
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is
> > the future, so we should stop saying amateur radio is only HF and Morse.
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> > faster, and almost error free .Those of you that have been around for a
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> blood
> > into amateur radio. Also a Tech (no code) IS still an amateur, so we
> should
> > be treated like one. I hear it all the time, Im speaking to someone
about
> > some technical topic, and they happen to be at QRZ.com and look up my
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> > Then they say how come your only a tech? didnt you pass the code test? i
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> > no and dont want to be bothered. "well its been good talking to you, 73"
> is
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> > demeanor towards you like they dont remember you. WOW!! your a general,
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954. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-01 10:01:56 UTC
From: Mille <nomail@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <oY0K8.6766$fT5.1742820@typhoon.ne.ipsvc.net>
Source record: 4139
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Heck,

Build an antenna? Naw! I'd rather tell pompous, know-it-all jerks like you
who want to tell the world how to behave to go to hell.

"Steve Bossert" <kc2gog@amsat.org> wrote in message
news:1lNJ8.218884$ja.60919162@news02.optonline.net...
> If their were less questions and arguments about 800Mhz Analog Cellular
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955. Re: What's power level is "Low Power" for ARRL contests?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-01 14:24:24 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020601102424.08729.00001828@mb-ml.aol.com>
Source record: 4141

Does ANYONE know the answer? What's considered "Low Power" for the upcoming VHF contest?
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

956. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-01 14:24:47 UTC
From: DBN <dnicholson@socket.net>
Message-ID: <ufhm777dp21u51@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 4140
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Oh how I love my gadgets and trinkets!!!

Dan

957. Re: What's power level is "Low Power" for ARRL contests?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-01 14:25:47 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020601102547.08729.00001829@mb-ml.aol.com>
Source record: 4142

Just found the answer.. 200 watts is "Low Power"?! You must be kidding me!
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

958. Re: Ferrite cores in Netherlands??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-02 00:23:35 UTC
From: "Eike Lantzsch, ZP6CGE" <eikelan@gmx.net>
Message-ID: <slrnafipc7.30b.eikelan@ID-77364.user.dfncis.de>
Source record: 3958
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

J M Noeding wrote:
> On Sun, 02 Jun 2002 23:09:20 GMT, mike@corn2.freeserve.co.uk (Mike W)
> wrote:
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> >On Sun, 2 Jun 2002 23:31:18 +0300, "VITEL" <vitel@eunet.yu> wrote:
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> >catalog.
> >hth MIke W, G8NXD qthr
>
> Believe they are also available at low price from G-QRP club, and at
> very high price in Germany (hi)
> --
> remove ,xnd to reply

You might want to have a look here

http://www.kent-electronics.nl/ under "voorraad ferriet"

Regards, Ike

959. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-02 02:01:16 UTC
From: Bruce <bpeck321@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <HQeK8.104634$7S6.39215624@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4143
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I am with you!!

960. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-02 05:44:36 UTC
From: Arf! Arf! <DoggieDaze@Liberalz.com>
Message-ID: <adcclcpvc0@pita.alt.net>
Source record: 4144
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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news:1lNJ8.218884$ja.60919162@news02.optonline.net...
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> other gadget. Then you let others know what you are doing and someone
> improves on your idea.
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> I know i will see alot of problems regarding my message but its true. here
> are my thoughts for the record.

So sorry, old man. Your "message" failed to impress because of the poor
spelling within the first two paragraphs. I have already "bulid" an antenna
and it works just fine.
I did not read the rest.

961. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-02 13:40:41 UTC
From: Tom Sevart <n2uhcNOSPAM@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <add792$vdk37$1@ID-52518.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 4145
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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news:1lNJ8.218884$ja.60919162@news02.optonline.net...
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> and recievers,Citizens Band and also morse code for amateurs, , most
> newsgroups would have no posts.

I really don't see much whining about those issues in the newsgroups I read. And even if there were, isn't that what usenet is for? If you don't like those posts, don't read them.

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> constructive to do with your time. bulid an antenna, make a reciever or
some
> other gadget. Then you let others know what you are doing and someone
> improves on your idea.

I built all but one of the antennas I'm currently using. I have a couple more homebrew antennas in storage that I built for the fun of it but don't have a use for. I'm also currently in the middle of building a 10 MHZ WWV receiver. I also have plans to build a QRP transceiver in the near future. Have you built anything lately?

> Cellular Scanners-- Why do people want a 800Mhz full coverage reciever
> today. Most areas are using some form of digital service, and not even in
> the 800 band anymore. What is so interesting about listening to
cellphones?

Maybe it's just something else to listen to? Or maybe some scanner listeners just don't like the idea of the government telling them what frequencies they can and can't listen to at the behest of the cellular telephone lobby? Or maybe they'd like to have a scanner without any gaps so they'll be able to listen to new services that take over the 800 MHZ band once it's vacated by analog cellular phones in the future.

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> its time, although still usefull sometimes, if we keep saying we need
Morse
> code, us amateurs will be way behind times(which we still are).

AM is also antiquated, second only to CW. Yet there are many hams who enjoy using AM. It's also the primary broadcast mode in the MF and HF bands.

Should we scrap the use of AM? CW is fun to those of us who enjoy it. I'm not going to tell you not to use FM in the VHF/UHF bands.

> Amateur ops always complain about how 11m was stolen and CB'ers dont
> know anything.

Frankly I've never heard an amateur op complain about the 11 meter band being stolen from them. CB has been around for around 50 years now, so I think there are few hams who really have a hangup about losing the 11 meter band. As far as CB'ers not knowing anything, I guess you never heard one saying "QRT and standing by." Yes, there are a few who are really technically savvy, but the most aren't. I could tell you many funny stories of technically-challenged CBer's, but frankly I don't give a rat's behind what goes on on the CB band.

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> throw a carrier or send code with his friends. This is not the way!!!
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> we all just get along"

This has me confused. If a CBer is talking to an amateur on an amateur frequency, he is operating illegally. If an amateur is using amateur equipment on the CB band, he is operating illegally. I've never heard CBers & amateurs talking to each other on the radio though.

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Tom Sevart, N2UHC (Extra and just proud to be a ham)

> and i dont need to hide behind an alias like some others out there!!!

Neither do I.

962. Re: receiving ham signals on Sony SW7600g

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-02 15:15:42 UTC
From: Robert Casey <wa2ise@ix.netcom.com>
Message-ID: <addcqu$h88$1@xuxa.iecc.com>
Source record: 4146
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.broadcasting

You could surf over to http://www.arrl.org "ARRL" is the name of a major American ham club, and they have a goodly amount of info on ham radio signal reception. And people you could email questions.

Also try: rec.radio.amateur.dx "DX" is a ham term for "long distance reception".

963. Ferrite cores in Netherlands??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-02 20:31:18 UTC
From: VITEL <vitel@eunet.yu>
Message-ID: <ade2n2$i2i$1@news.eunet.yu>
Source record: 4147
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.components

Where in Netherlands I can find ferrite corres for buy?? (For ex. FT 37-43, FT 37-61 etc)

Thank's in advance!

73 de YU1ATL

964. Re: Ferrite cores in Netherlands??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-02 23:09:20 UTC
From: mike@corn2.freeserve.co.uk
Message-ID: <3cfaa53e.33719813@news.freeserve.net>
Source record: 4148
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.components

On Sun, 2 Jun 2002 23:31:18 +0300, "VITEL" <vitel@eunet.yu> wrote:

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http://www.xs4all.nl/~barendh/Indexeng.htm

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they have an excellent range of RF bits and bobs if you download their
catalog.
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965. Re: Ferrite cores in Netherlands??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-03 07:43:14 UTC
From: la8ak.xnd@online.no
Message-ID: <3cfaa97c.276388417@news.online.no>
Source record: 4149
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew

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Believe they are also available at low price from G-QRP club, and at
very high price in Germany (hi)
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remove ,xnd to reply

966. Old QSL from K3HLU?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-03 14:02:41 UTC
From: W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
Message-ID: <5GKK8.107809$jm.10555778@bin6.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3950
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Does anyone have any old QSLs from K3HLU or KN3HLU, from 1958-1966?

Thanks

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John W2AGN

967. Increase low power on Icom IC-290A?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-03 14:47:21 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020603104721.26636.00002146@mb-mk.aol.com>
Source record: 3951

Does anyone know if it's possible to increase the low power setting on an Icom IC-290A from 1w to 3w? I'd like to do this to drive an amp. This would be better than lowering the high power setting from 10w to 3w. If I do that, without the amp, I'd only be doing 3 watts, as opposed to 10w...
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

968. Help! Manuals needed.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-03 17:03:08 UTC
From: vic303@lycos.com
Message-ID: <bd7fde13.0206030903.5dc1a6de@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3952

Can anyone help me with a pair of manuals? I need an owners manual
for a TenTec Triton IV digital, and a Kenwood RS-1000. TenTec wants
too much $$ for theirs, and Kenwood's manual is not available online.
Please email me back at vic303@lycos.com

73's and TNX!
Vicky
n0vmr

969. FS/FT: AMD K6-2 CPU and fan BRAND NEW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-04 02:39:53 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020603223953.14860.00000061@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 3953

I am selling an AMD K6-2 CPU and fan. I bought these recently on the internet because I had a problem with my old computer. After buying them, I decided to just upgrade completely, so now I don't need them. I am selling them for $45 or willing to trade for a tone encoder board/box. Please email me directly if interested.

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

970. Re: Amateur Radio Organizations should change their name

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-04 14:39:17 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020604103917.26899.00001799@mb-mn.aol.com>
Source record: 3954

Turns out I will be in MA after all. I was going to take rf related classes in Maryland, but then got a job in Boston this week. Not rf, but I really needed a job, so I took it. I have already had a few rf related courses and have done some rf technician work. I am in Lynnfield MA. My job is in Boston. If anyone is interested in this type of club, please let me know. I have alot of good ideas that I really want to try.

Sincerely,
Vipul Shah

>>I will be attempting to start a club for the purpose of experimentation in
>the
>>Baltimore, Maryland area. I do not expect many joiners, due to lack of
>>advertising, and especially since it is summer time.
>>
>>My posting was intended to guage interest, not to plug my club. Also, I do
>not
>>want to compete with Ham Radio, just add another segment which I feel is
>>missing. I do not feel other clubs, including QRP(low power), offer this. I
>>would like others to start similar clubs nationwide.
>>
>>I will present my club constitution and goals to the ARRL to try to get ARRL
>>affiliation. This may not be considered "Ham" radio, so it may not get ARRL
>>affiliation, which is fine. Ham Jargon will not be used here. To borrow
>>another person's suggestions, this will be Amateur radio "for plain folk".
>>
>>The experimenter's club would be open to anyone interested in electronics,
>any
>>licence class, or unlicenced welcome. Those unlicenced will of course be
>>encouraged to get the (no-code) licence.
>>
>>Hams, students, professionals are all welcome to join. No test to join, but
>>code advocates, contesters, codeword jargon users are not encouraged to
>join.
>>There are plenty of other clubs for those interests.
>>
>I think you are within the boundaries of what the ARRL covers. Hams
>have a variety of interests, and even the traditional ones who look
>down upon "appliance operators" should support your idea. Personally,
>I have minimal interest in contesting, but I have other interests
>within ham radio.
>
>ARRL membership or club affiliation does not require being licensed,
>merely being interested in radio communications. (You may need to be a
>licensed amateur for certain things).

>
>If you start something similar when you return to the Boston area, I'd
>be interested in finding out about it.
>Happy trails,
>Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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>at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence
>
>Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
>Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

971. Looking for mod for ALINCO dj-582t

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-04 14:59:14 UTC
From: johnson762@aol.com
Message-ID: <e57007d.0206040659.7c569a42@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3955

I have been away from the hobby for awhile. i found this ht in my closet, dusted it off and it still works. i never did a mars mod to it. i am looking for a mod for it now if anyone can help. (I COULD ALSO USE A MANUAL SINCE ALINCO DOESNT LIST IT ON THEIR SITE). ANY help would be 'preciated....feel free to email me..73....rick

972. 4CX250's In Grounded Grid

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-04 22:34:12 UTC
From: "N4WQD \"The Duck\"" <dlp33@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <EfbL8.197036$Po6.358619@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3956

Can 4CX-xxxx (250B etc.) be configured to a grounded grid linear amp application on 80 meters? I have never seen them in any GG circuit.

N4WQD

973. Re: Looking for mod for ALINCO dj-582t

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-05 03:20:58 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <usfL8.10703$J51.573060@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3957

I don't know if this will help but I have the Alinco DJ-580. I think the difference between the 2 was that they made it harder to mod for cell receive in the 582. All I had to do was remove the battery pack. Locate the 4 small screws for the battery clip and remove them. Find 2 long wires, 1 red and 1 blue. Cut both wires and tape them so that they don't make contact inside the radio. Push them back in and put the radio back together. Then reset the memory. This will give you AM air band, TX/RX on the rest and RX in the 800.000 MHz band. I don't know if it will work for the 582t but you could try it.
I hope I was of some help.

"Rick" <johnson762@aol.com> wrote in message
news:e57007d.0206040659.7c569a42@posting.google.com...
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> closet, dusted it off and it still works. i never did a mars mod to
> it. i am looking for a mod for it now if anyone can help. (I COULD
> ALSO USE A MANUAL SINCE ALINCO DOESNT LIST IT ON THEIR SITE). ANY help
> would be 'preciated....feel free to email me..73....rick

974. Re: The Common Stupidity

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-06 19:18:52 UTC
From: Mark Huffman <marko@vonl.com>
Message-ID: <wAOL8.148112$Kp.13927445@bin7.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3959
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Breaker 1 nine: I think we've got us a convoy. Thats a big 10-4 rubber duck..... Very educational conversatioin here.. The conversations I have heard on amateur radio are usually searches for parts for their radios. I bought a crystal police scanner for $5. Put a new electrolytic in it and turned it on for some anit-crime action. Dead as a rock.. They've all gone to digital trunk systems. Makes a good weather radio if you can stand listening to a computer try to talk english. Marko
"Steve Bossert" <kc2gog@amsat.org> wrote in message news:1lNJ8.218884$ja.60919162@news02.optonline.net...
> If their were less questions and arguments about 800Mhz Analog Cellular mods
> and recievers,Citizens Band and also morse code for amateurs, , most
> newsgroups would have no posts.
>
> instead of whining about these issues, why dont you find something else
> constructive to do with your time. bulid an antenna, make a reciever or some
> other gadget. Then you let others know what you are doing and someone
> improves on your idea.
>
> I know i will see alot of problems regarding my message but its true. here
> are my thoughts for the record.
>
>
> Cellular Scanners-- Why do people want a 800Mhz full coverage reciever
> today. Most areas are using some form of digital service, and not even in
> the 800 band anymore. What is so interesting about listening to cellphones?
> Ive had radios that are capable of it, and never even listened to that
> portion. I think you just want something that has no gaps, and are willing
> to pay more for something that most wont listen to. If its so good how come
> i never see monitoring posts about how Mary got her nails done?
> Unless you are in the FBI and are trying to foil the next terrorist action,
> dont be bothered with cellular capable scanners
>
> Morse Code-- have you looked at new licenses lately, looks like our ranks
> are dropping. Ive been a Tech(No-Code) for three years and would like to use
> HF but could care less about morse code. Its an antiquated mode, which had
> its time, although still usefull sometimes, if we keep saying we need Morse

> code, us amateurs will be way behind times(which we still are). Lots of
> people say, when a repeater ID's or i am tuning around the morse sub
bands,
> "Is that Morse Code, someone still uses that?" I say yes, its part of
> amateur radio. The person whom im talking to usually says "ill just go to
> Walmart and get those radios for $50 and dont worry about the code"
Amateurs
> now adays need to concentrate about leading edge technology, like we once
> did, and stop hanging on to the past. PSk31, APRS, IRLP, and satellite is
> the future, so we should stop saying amateur radio is only HF and Morse.
> The military does not use MOrse anymore, they use ALE type signals, which
is
> faster, and almost error free .Those of you that have been around for a
> while should get off your "Extra or Advanced" horses and get some new
blood
> into amateur radio. Also a Tech (no code) IS still an amateur, so we
should
> be treated like one. I hear it all the time, Im speaking to someone about
> some technical topic, and they happen to be at QRZ.com and look up my
call.
> Then they say how come your only a tech? didnt you pass the code test? i
say
> no and dont want to be bothered. "well its been good talking to you, 73"
is
> the common response. And also those that upgraded, change their whole
> demeanor towards you like they dont remember you. WOW!! your a general,
> advanced, or extra! can you set up a packet node, or work a satellite via
a
> digital mode. NO, gee i guess that morse code is really good!
>
> Citizens Band- Those that are on SSB are almost like amateurs, and some
wont
> get a license because they dont like the dryness of amateur radio. Regular
> AM'ers are usually a 50/50 bunch, some are the nicest and most helpfull
> people youll ever meet, and the others, well you know what im talking
> about.Amateur ops always complain about how 11m was stolen and CB'ers dont
> know anything. Well guess what, if its about amplifiers(yes ILLEGAL on
11m),
> DXing (less than 125 miles wink wink) or just general radio stuff, some
know
> more than some amateurs. If a "general" is confronted by one of these
CB'ers
> they say "well your so smart do you know Morse code" CB'er replies "NO!!".
> That amateur will either leave or will find what channel they are on and
> throw a carrier or send code with his friends. This is not the way!!!
"cant
> we all just get along"
>
> well thats it for now, if i made any spelling or puncuation errors, oh
> well!!

>
> Sincerly,
>
> Steve Bossert , KC2GOG (tech and proud of it)
>
> and i dont need to hide behind an alias like some others out there!!!
>
>
>

975. FS: Ameritron AL-811H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-06 22:09:10 UTC
From: Mark Wilke - K8VL <markwilke@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <a4RL8.146913$%o.14016939@bin3.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3960

For sale: Ameritron AL-811H with less than 5 hours use. Perfect physical and operational condition. Original box, manual, warranty card. $550.00 plus shipping. Always interested in a trade for other radio gear. What have you got?

976. FS/FT: AMD 500 mhz CPU and fan BRAND NEW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-07 04:25:37 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020607002537.15605.00000067@mb-cq.aol.com>
Source record: 3961

I have an AMD K6-2 500 mhz CPU with cooling fan, BRAND NEW. I bought this from Ebay because I had a problem with my computer, but after buying, I decided to upgrade instead, so I don't need it. The CPU and fan are UNUSED.

Selling for $40 or willing to trade for an external PL tone encoder (ie: Comm Spec) or possibly an older scanner, capable of at least picking up into the 500 mhz area. Email me if interested.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

977. FA: Mirage B108 80 Watt VHF (2 meter) Amplifier

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-07 04:30:41 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020607003041.05011.00000336@mb-cq.aol.com>
Source record: 3962

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1357777859

Compact, excellent amplifier for 2 meter operation. Check out these features: 80 watts output for 10 watts input; 15 watts output for 200 mw input, 30 watts output for 2 watts input All modes, FM, CW and SSB Preamp, Carrier operated relay or can be keyed via accessory connector Runs on 12 - 13.8 volts, includes power connector.

If you are looking for a 80 watt "brick" look no further...this is the amp for you!

I recently bought this amp and didn't even use it because I found a 100 watt amp, which will better suit my needs, so I am selling this one. Fully functional with the power cord.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

978. Starphire Technologies releases a free version of its web site management software SiteSage 4.0 for Amateur Radio clubs

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-07 17:15:45 UTC
From: googleuser@starphire.com
Message-ID: <bf952c29.0206070915.51e913f8@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3963

"Starphire Technologies releases a free version of its web site management software SiteSage 4.0 for Amateur Radio clubs"

Clearwater Florida - June 7th, 2002 - Starphire Technologies announced today the release of a special free version of its web-based content management software, SiteSage(TM) 4.0, designed to provide enhanced management of Web content without the need for HTML proficiency or outside technical resources. This special version is being made available at no charge to non-commercial Amateur Radio Clubs and amateur radio Public Service Organizations.

"Starphire is making this special release available as a way to give back to the community and support amateur radio organizations" said Michael Murdock, president & CEO of Starphire Technologies and amateur call sign K4NW. "With the capabilities of SiteSage clubs can improve their communications process by permitting non-technical members the ability to manage the group";s web site. With the new visual "Browse-To-Build"; feature web site maintenance is unbelievably easy - anyone who can navigate the web can manage the entire web site."

The Clearwater Amateur Radio Society currently uses SiteSage 4.0 for their clubs web site at www.carshamradio.org. "SiteSage has significantly improved the quality and ease of maintenance for our web site and allows us to make updates from anywhere" says Paul Knukpe (N4PK) Webmaster of the club site.

SiteSage 4.0 is entirely server based, with no special client computer requirements other than a web browser and an Internet connection. This permits updates to a web site to be made from work, home, or the public library if need be.

To receive a copy of this software for your amateur radio club simply contact Mike Murdock at k4nw@arrl.net.

Based in Clearwater, Fla., Starphire Technologies (http://www.starphire.com) develops, markets and delivers innovative technologies for content management. The core product is SiteSage, a proven platform for delivering Web content management and controlled editing rights to non-technical staff, without the need to learn HTML.

979. cloning cable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 00:29:37 UTC
From: rng-1187@webtv.net
Message-ID: <14491-3D014FF1-33@storefull-2291.public.lawson.webtv.net>
Source record: 3964

Am wondering if there is anyone in Boston , Ma. area that has cloning cable for Alinco
DJ--V5 handheld-----id like to hook up to my DJ--V5 -----especially if you have many of the Boston area amateur radio and police frequencies programmed in.
Thanks

980. ARRL Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 04:54:20 UTC
From: craignkathie@comcast.net
Message-ID: <f184df13.0206072054.3ea23de0@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3965

ï¿½ Type of Computer: IBM Aptiva
ï¿½ Machine Type 2163
ï¿½ Model Number 540
ï¿½ Serial Number AF 266A9
ï¿½ BIOS IBM 8EP6C 450V3.2, Version 66MEN4Q
ï¿½ Modem: Rockwell HCF 56K Speakerphone PCI
ï¿½ Monitor/Adapter PB 1411SL SVGA
ï¿½ Hard Drive 10.8 gig
ï¿½ TSR/Memory Resident Software O.Sys; HIMEM; EMM386; DBLBUFF;
ï¿½ BUFFERS; COMMAND.COM; WIN; IFSHLP; FILE HANDLERS; FCBS;
ï¿½ DIRECTORIES; DEFAULT HANDLERS
ï¿½ DOS Version MS-DOS: 7.10
ï¿½ Windows: ME
ï¿½ Critical Updates: Current
Device Drivers: Current

Is anyone else having this problem with the ARRL Website? When I
click on the 'drop down menu' selections (e.g. Operating Activities,
Licensing, etc.) nothing happens and I get a message 'error on page'
at the bottom of the window. The details of the error simply say
'Object Expected'.

At first, I suspected my firewall (ZoneAlarm) or my ad-scrubber
(WebWasher). However, I closed both those programs and did a clean
refresh (Shift/Refresh), but still get the same error.

I contacted ARRL Tech Support, but they seem stumped too. Any help
out there?

Thanks.

Craig
KG4SYB

981. Re: ARRL Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 12:51:46 UTC
From: "Stephen C. Robbins" <srobbinsNOSPAMDUDES@netacc.net>
Message-ID: <3d01fdb8@news.netacc.net>
Source record: 3966

Craig, you did not say what browser you are using. Check browser options
and turn off Java debugging and check that the java vm is current.

Steve

"Craig" <craignkathie@comcast.net> wrote in message
news:f184df13.0206072054.3ea23de0@posting.google.com...
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> • Machine Type 2163
> • Model Number 540
> • Serial Number AF 266A9
> • BIOS IBM 8EP6C 450V3.2, Version 66MEN4Q
> • Modem: Rockwell HCF 56K Speakerphone PCI
> • Monitor/Adapter PB 1411SL SVGA
> • Hard Drive 10.8 gig
> • TSR/Memory Resident Software O.Sys; HIMEM; EMM386; DBLBUFF;
> • BUFFERS; COMMAND.COM; WIN; IFSHLP; FILE HANDLERS; FCBS;
> • DIRECTORIES; DEFAULT HANDLERS
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> out there?
>
> Thanks.
>
> Craig
> KG4SYB

982. Hallicrafters SX-88 Bezels FS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 13:20:11 UTC
From: Gary Harmon <gharmon@idworld.net>
Message-ID: <fwnM8.14288$qp6.1688253552@newssvr11.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3967

New replacement bezels for the rarest of the rare Hallicrafters SX-88 receiver are now available. Perhaps twenty percent of the known SX-88s have the warped bezel syndrome. There is no way to repair a bad bezel and this newly manufactured bezel solves the problem. They are machined out a solid piece of aircraft aluminum on a CNC machine. All the threaded holes, retaining tabs, openings, tapered faces, and openings are true to the original. They are finished in a wrinkled black satin powdered finish. NOTE: I am not making the bezels. I'm just acting as a facilitator. Bezel will be securely packed and shipped from California. A certain number of bezels must be sold before the second run of 20 can be authorized. Money orders and Pay Pal will get priority shipping when the bezels are available. Personal checks will clear before shipping. If a sufficient number is not ordered then payments will be returned. For questions or pictures contact me directly at gharmon@idworld.net. Seller will pay CONUS shipping. Out of country buyers will pay the difference.

Thanks and 73,
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(210) 203-1700 p
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983. ARNewsline 1294 - May 31 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 14:47:07 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020608104707.00259.00000257@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 3968

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1294 - May 31 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1294 with a release date of Friday, May 31st 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. An airline pilot playing pirate radio operator finally gets caught and a tank you from the FCC to those who solved an R-F-I case. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1294 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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ENFORCEMENT: AIRBORNE UNLICENSED STATION BUSTED

Hams down-under have busted an unlicensed operator who was not only on the air, but also in the air. Rick Wornett, P29KFS, reports from Port Morsby:

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For many years a non-qualified person has used the callsign P29VS from locations all over Australia. When you find this unlicensed operation extending to aeronautical mobile mode and being used all over Australia, even the most un-informed amateur must start to ask questions.

But no. For years this pirate operation has gone un-reported by VK amateurs, many of whom talked daily with P29VS at either a fixed location in Victoria or aeromobile from various jet routes across Australia. None of these licensed amateurs, supposedly aware of the terms of their license and the limitations of operating with a foreign call, ever queried the use of a P29 call in Australia.

In view of his long and un-challenged operating history, it is only fitting that the pirate should be closed down by P29 amateurs monitoring, providing evidence and insisting that something be done by your ACA.

First heard some years ago while mobile over Western Australia, the callsign was monitored recently and consistently on Tony's net on 14mHz. The P29 radio society queried PNG's administration and was informed that the call had never been issued. In fact this had been determined long ago when an attempt was made to have a PNG license issued. Further work including recordings of callsigns and place names identified the operation as being within Australia. Action taken by the ACA in Victoria has now terminated the operation.

For Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm P29KFS Rick Warnett, IARU chairman P29.
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The airline that the unlicensed operator works for was not revealed. (Q-News)

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ENFORCEMENT: A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE FCC

Back on this side of the Pacific, FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth is saying thanks to some ham radio operators, some corporations and the ARRL. He says that they all worked together to solve a long standing interference issue in the Cincinnati Ohio area:

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Hollingsworth says that this was a very complex case and that everyone worked very diligently to resolve it.

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RADIO RULES: FCC WILL HEAR PETITION FOR REVIEW ON CC&R”S

Lee McVey, W6EM, tells Amateur Radio Newsline that the FCC has decided to consider his Petition for Review of the Dismissal of the ARRL Application for Review of RM-8763 which he filed in January. The Bradenton, Florida ham says that this will offer the Commission to take another look at the CC&R issue now that preemption has also been extended to two-way Internet services. This, because many such services cannot function effectively without an outside antenna.

McVey says that although the regulations only permit opposition comments on his Petition, he would appreciate receiving any and all replies to opposition comments. Send them by e-mail to lee.mcvey@prodigy.net. More information is at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-222345A1.doc

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KC2DAA repeater serving Mt. Beacon New York.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS ON THE FIRE LINES IN NEW MEXICO

Ham radio has been aiding with communications as a wildfire -- dubbed the Borrego fire -- races across the New Mexico highlands. According to Amateur Radio Newsline’s Jay Miller, WA5WHN, in Albuquerque, the 145.19 repeater atop Pajarito Mountain played a key role during evacuations of the towns of Cordova and Truchas. This is the very same repeater used during the fire in Los Alamos.

Jay reports that at one time over 40 members of New Mexico Search & Rescue has been placed on standby for this fire. Almost all are hams with equipped with mobile High Frequency, VHF and UHF voice as well as A-P-R-S capabilities.

Bill Kauffman, W5YEJ, was is the New Mexico Emergency Coordinator. He has been on the 145.19 MHz repeater assisting in communications and logistics. Meantime, Lonnie Scott, AH2AZ, from Santa Fe coordinated efforts at the Emergency Operations Center that was opened in the town of Espanola with Dave Clark, KJ5KG, and Terry Morton, N5XDF, at the Chimayo Elementary School. The evacuation order for Truchas was finally lifted on Thursday May 23rd. (WA5WHN)

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RESCUE RADIO: ARRL ATLANTIC DIVISION NAMES AWARD WINNERS

Hams from three ARRL Divisions will be honored for their volunteerism following the September 11th 2001 terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington D.C.

According to the ARRL Letter the 2002 Atlantic Division Amateur of the Year Award will be jointly presented to the amateurs of the Maryland-District of Columbia Section, the Western Pennsylvania Section and the ARRL Hudson Division. All three activated their emergency communications systems immediately following the attacks. The Pennsylvania group handled communications where a jet that was highjacked crashed when passengers decided to act against the terrorists.

The Atlantic Division awards committee has also named Bob Arnold, N2JEU, to be recipient of it’s Technical Achievement Award. As previously reported here on Amateur Radio Newsline, Bob Arnold operates the "N2JEU's Web Controlled Shortwave Receivers" from its home in cyberspace at www.ralabs.com/webradio. (ARRL Letter)

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RADIO RULES: VEC’S TO MEET – YOUR INPUT WANTED

John Creel WB3GXW tells Amateur Radio Newsline that the annual conference of the nations Volunteer Examination Coordinators is scheduled for July 26th in Gettysburg Pennsylvania. This is the annual gathering where the majority of the VEC’ meet with the FCC to discuss the all volunteer testing system and the way it can be improved. (WB3GXW)

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CONVENTIONS: DAYTON AND THE APRS GANG

APRS was a big hit at the recent Dayton Hamvention and the man who made the mode happen was there to talk about it. A-P-R-S developer Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, talked with Amateur News Weekly’s Jack Parker, W8ISH:

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The APRS booths at the Dayton Hamvention were always crowded with amateurs seeking new information on the fast growing automatic position reporting system. Bob Bruninga-WB4APR has been refining the technology for more than a

decade. With public service in mind Bruninga says DTMF tones can be used to further expand the APRS system.

Bruninga: “What we are introducing this year is APRs using touch tones. So you can do that with any walkie talkie. So show up at your event and want to report that you are at mile 13 in the marathon you enter a couple of digits and 13 and that tells everybody. The computer will receive and convert that to an APRS position report showing you at mile marker 13.”

At special events, voice nets often become busy. APRS can relieve congestion.

Bruninga: “We hope by having the touch tone capability that everyone out there can enter data. And that keeps traffic off the voice net which could be handled with a couple of key presses.”

Bruninga has the DOS version ready to go. He’s now looking for help on other versions.

Bruninga: “I am writing it in DOS to show people what it can do and am encouraging anybody to write it for a soundcard software because then it’s totally software.”

Newly developed software and the growing popularity of APRS style radios are helping to expand the automatic position reporting system. Bruninga says the marriage of aprs digipeaters and the Internet make it a global communications and information system.

Bruninga: “So, really what aprs is these days is a world wide packet distribution system for real time communications.”

Reporting from the 2002 Dayton Hamvention, this is Jack Parker, W8ISH.

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More on Hamvention 2002 in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (ANW)

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HANDI HAMS: NEW PROMOTIONAL TAPE AVAILABLE

The Courage Hamdi Ham System says that it now has a ham radio tape available to blind members who want to promote amateur radio in the blind community. The presentation covers the basics of what ham radio is and why it is a fun and useful activity. The tape is free to Handi Ham members for the asking. For more information contact Handi Ham director Pat Tice by e-mail to wa0tda@arrl.net. To get on the text-only Handi Ham Newsletter distribution list send and e-mail to handiham-request@cs.vassar.edu. In the subject line simply put the word “subscribe.” (Handi Hams)

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RADIO RULES: PART 15 AMENDED TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH SPEED WIRELESS DEVICES

Turning to regulatory matters, the FCC has amended its rules to promote new digital transmission technologies for high-speed wireless communications. Specifically, the Commission has modified Part 15 of its rules to permit new digital transmission technologies to operate in the 902 to 928 MHz, 2400 to 2483.5 MHz and 5725 to 5850 MHz bands.

(DO NOT READ: The complete document is on the FCC website at fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-222567A1.doc (Tnx CGC Communicator))

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RADIO RULES: TV "CARS BAND" TO BE SHARED

The FCC has also adopted a Report and Order that has expanded the eligibility for licenses in the Cable Television Relay or CARS service to all Multichannel Video Programming Distributors. Now, Private Cable Operators, Direct Broadcast Satellite Operators, Open Video Systems, and others who provide multiple channels of video programming can join Cable Television Systems and Wireless Cable Systems in using CARS microwave frequencies to support their video programming distribution needs. This one can be found at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-222569A1.doc (CGC Communicator)

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BREAK 2

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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SCIENCE NEWS: PERIODIC EARTHQUAKES DETECTED BY RADIO GPS

Turning to the radio science page. Were you aware that once every 14 months or so, portions of coastal British Columbia and northwestern Washington State experience an ultra-slow ground motion? Or, that if released all at once, this motion would generate an earthquake measuring more than 6 on the Richter scale?

Well that's what data from a network of G-P-S equipment spanning the region show, say scientists who presented their findings in the April meeting of the Seismological Society of America, held in Victoria, British Columbia.
Thankfully, these "silent earthquakes" are so slow that no one notices them, and no structural damage occurs.
More information is on the web at http://www.sciencenews.org/20020427/fob4ref.asp (CGC Communicator)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: AQUASAT LAUNCHED

NASA's Aqua spacecraft, which will orbit the Earth for six years and use a JPL-managed package to collect water cycle data has been launched from Vanderberg Air Force Base in California. The 6,248-pound spacecraft was lifted into space on board a Boeing Delta II rocket. The satellite is equipped with

JPL's Atmospheric Infrared Sounder instrument and will provide scientists with information on changes in ocean circulation, global precipitation and how clouds and surface water processes affect the Earth's climate. (ANS)

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INTERNATIONAL-UK: HAM RADIO WILL HELP CELEBRATE QUEEN ELIZABETH’S GOLDEN JUBILEE

United Kingdom Amateur Radio operators will help to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's golden jubilee. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, has more:

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Commencing next Saturday the 1st of June, the Scarborough Special Events Group will be on the air for 30 days as GQ0OOO to commemorate the Queen's Golden Jubilee. Activity will be on all HF bands, two metres and 70 centimetres, using SSB, CW and PSK31. A special full-colour souvenir QSL will be issued to mark the occasion. Cards may be sent via the bureau or direct to club call G0OOO. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH

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But that’s not all. According to the R-S-G-B, all U-K amateurs will be permitted to use the G-Q prefix " during the month of June to commemorate the Queen Elizabeth's accession to the royal throne. (GB2RS)

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SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS: AM ON THE AIR FROM HAMCOM

If you are one of those hams who still gets a thrill when you hear full carrier A-M transmissions, listen up. This one is for you.

Bob Peters, K1J, reports that Chapter 207 of the Quarter Century Wireless Association is sponsoring an A-M special event station. This, at the HAMCOM convention in Arlington, Texas on June 7 and 8.

Peters says that station W-5-A will be located in the commercial exhibits area and will operate on 3.880 MHz and 7.290 daily from early morning until about 5 P-M both days. He says that anyone attending HAMCOM is welcome to drop by and operate. If you can’t but do make contact on the air, a joint Q-C-W-A and HAMCOM QSL will be available for an S-A-S-E. Follow the Q-S-L directions given on the air.

Again that’s station W-5-A on A-M from the Arlington Convention Center June 7 and 8. (QCWA)

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ON THE AIR: VHF/UHF REPEATER QSO PARTY

Bob McHugh, N4BM, says that the Wichita Amateur Radio Club in Kansas is trying something new. At least new to the United States. It is an operating event in the form of a VHF and UHF Repeater QSO Party which has already met with great success down-under.

According to McHugh, the rationale behind the repeater QSO Party is to get newer hams and more experienced hams on the air at the same time and in the same place. This, to exchange ideas and operation techniques.

McHugh sent along a copy of the rules for the event. We have no way to list them here but if this idea interests you, contact him by e-mail to n4bm@arrl.net (N4BM)

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DX

In D-X, VK8HA says that the war in Afghanistan may have removed an irritant from the air. According to Henry, when the first bunkerbuster bombs were dropped near Kabul, a rather strong signal on 14.180 appears to have been blown off the air. And V-U-2-U-R adds that that a broadcast station on 7.085 MHz also went off the air at the same time. This leads to speculation that the two transmitters were at the same location.

A lot higher in frequency, there is a new 432.300 Mhz CW beacon now in operation near Sausalito, California. It signs the call K-6-E-R and runs 2 watts into a horizontally polarized antenna. The K-6-E-R Beacon is located in grid square C-M 87 at 1125 feet above sea level.

Lastly, word that G-4-H-C-L who was due to travel to Yemen, on Wednesday the 22nd of May, has postponed his trip. This, due to illness in his family. G-B-2-R-S reports that he was slated to operate from Yemen as 7-O-1-C-L. (From various DX sources)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: HAM RADIO LICENSING IN ZL

And finally this week, we take another look at the new simplified path to becoming a ham radio operator in New Zealand. We take another look through the eyes of Q-News Graham Kemp, V-K-4-B-B:

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In ZL from October 2001 there were only two grades of amateur radio licence, Limited and General. In the early 1990's, the New Zealand administration devolved the examining and testing for the Amateur Radio Examination to NZART, the New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters (Inc.)

The examination paper has 60 multiple-choice questions taken from a 600-question public-domain question-bank. Seventy of the 600 questions are devoted to the Radio Regulations, twenty to the Frequency bands and ten to the Q-code. The remaining five hundred are about electronics, radio communications and operating. The results are given before the candidate leaves the examination site.

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Kind of sounds a bit like the way we in the United States have been testing candidates since the introduction of the all volunteer testing scheme, well over a decade ago. (Q-News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

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984. In need of a MFJ 9030 Schematic

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 20:32:32 UTC
From: w.harbourjr@worldnet.att.net
Message-ID: <deafe3d9.0206081232.8bbc6fc@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3969

Does anyone have a copy of the MFJ 9030 schematic that I can get??

Tnx,

Bill
KD4PWB

985. "PING" in APRS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 21:01:49 UTC
From: indy465@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <877dc28c.0206081301.5af1a333@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3970
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,alt.ham-radio.packet,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf

I'm still relatively new to packet and APRS, so I'm not familiar with all of the commands that exist in the APRS protocol. Hopefully someone can help me out with a few questions that I've come up with over the last couple of days.

First, can someone explain how to "ping" another APRS station or an APRS digipeater? What I mean by "ping" is that I'd just like to know whether or not my signal is being picked up by a specific station or digipeater. Also, if I'm operating my mobile APRS station from a location where I'm not sure of the digipeater layout, is there some type of general "ping" message that I could send out to see if there are any other APRS digipeaters in the area?

Also, in looking at APRS messages that have come across my station, I've noticed two words that are occasionally used in APRS address lines, "BEACON" and "TCPIP". Could someone please explain these and how/why they are used in an address?

Thanks!

986. Re: "PING" in APRS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-08 21:22:24 UTC
From: David Little <dalite01@sprynet.com>
Message-ID: <adtskn$140$1@slb0.atl.mindspring.net>
Source record: 3971
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,alt.ham-radio.packet,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf

If my understanding is correct......

If TRACE is included in a station's UNPROTO path, the command ?PING? can be
sent in a message to that station, and the return path will be sent back as
a reply.

I am sure someone else can give a better description.....

<indy465@yahoo.com> wrote in message
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> Thanks!

987. Re: Royal Order of the Wouff Hong

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-09 00:52:32 UTC
From: lousherry <lousherry@lanset.com>
Message-ID: <3D02A6D0.8020908@lanset.com>
Source record: 3972

Sorry can't tell you its a secret!

Dumpster Dude wrote:

> The Royal Order of the Wouff Hong - Is it a joke? Some weird ARRL
> thing? What the heck is it? :)
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988. ARNewsline 1295 - June 7 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-09 01:14:02 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020608211402.23421.00000858@mb-fo.aol.com>
Source record: 3973

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The Newsline Production Team

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1295 with a release date of Friday, June 7th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Kids Day is coming and a legend leaves Top Band. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1295 coming your way right now.

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ON THE AIR: KIDS DAY COMING JUNE 15TH

It’s possibly one of the two mot important ham radio days of the year, and its only a week away. We are talking about the second of two Kids Day operating events held every year. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the story of the event and the man who made it happen:

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The next Kids Day is June 15 from 1800 to 2400 UTC. Thats Saturday here in the United States. Most of the activity is on 20, 15 and 10 meters, but you can also put kids on the air on your local repeater if you wish.

Kids Day is not a contest. In fact, it is a non structured event where all you have to do is to call C-Q Kids Day, and then put the youngsters visiting you on

the air to talk with other kids visiting other hams. Once the children are talking,the suggested contact exchange might include the youngsters names, their ages, their location and -- for the younger ones -- favorite color. Best of all you can work the same station over and over again if the operator continues to change.

If this all sounds like a great way to spend a day, you might be interested in learning ewhere Kids Day came from. In reality is the story of vision by one man. A man who long before most relized a problem even existed.

It was Larry “Tree” Tyree, N6TR, who recognized that ham radio had no future without a steady influx of new, young hams. Kid hams filled with the wonderment of childhood. That thirst we are all born with to “learn.” To “experiment.” To find out how this or that “really works.”

But Tree Tyree did not just sit there and say let somebody do something. Working woith Oregon’s Boaring Amateur Radio Club, he went out and did it himself. And in creating Kids Day, N-6-T-R, probably established the most important “ham radio holiday” that we have.

“Kids Day.” Just think what it really means. It two days every year where we “grown-up” hams open our hearts, minds and stations to the young. We invite them in. We put them before a mic or key. We put them on the air to experience first hand the “magic” of radio. Then we silently pray they some of them will knock on the door again and say: “...can we talk on the radio again?” When that happens, we know that ham radio’s survival is insured for yet another generation.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The first Kid's Day event was held on December 2, 1994 but it was, N6TR, who took “Kids Day” from a dream to a twice yearly reality now sponsored by the A-R-R-L. And in doing so Larry “Tree” Tyree N6TR figuratively “paid the premium” on the life insurance policy that is Amateur Radio. (ARRL, ARNewsline™, W6AQ)

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RESCUE RADIO: NEW MEXICO WILDFIRE EMERGENCY FOLLOW-UP

More this week on the role that Amateur Radio operators in New Mexico played as a wildfires raged in that state. As reported last week, hams were called out as soon as the fire emergency was declared. Now, the ARRL Letter provides some in depth follow-up.

The Letter says that on May 23rd, an incident command post was set up in the town of Espanola in response to a so-called "sleeper fire.” This is a lightning-caused fire that smolders before bursting into flame.

This one erupted near the village of Truchas in north-central New Mexico. Over the Memorial Day weekend, more than 250 residents were evacuated from their homes in Truchas and the nearby village of Cordoba.

Rio Arriba County Emergency Communications Manager Lonie Scott, AH2AZ, activated amateur communications support. Amateurs were dispatched to Red Cross shelters set up at two elementary schools in Chimayo, and The Los Alamos Amateur Radio Club's W5PDO system provided support.

By late on May 24, the wind had shifted. The fire was burning away from Truchas. Residents were able to return home starting at 9 AM the next day. New Mexico Section Emergency Coordinator Bill Kauffman, W5YEJ said the incident command post and the shelters closed later that day after all evacuees had returned home.

As of May 29th the fire was still burning in the Pecos Wilderness area of the Santa Fe National Forest, but was not considered a threat to any homes or structures. But as tinder-dry conditions persist across the South-West, amateurs remain on alert in case more wildfires break out. (ARRL)

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ENFORCEMENT: PIRATE BROADCASTER BUSTED IN PUERTO RICO

Turning to the regulatory arena, the Federal Communications Commission has announced that an investigation by the it’s Enforcement Bureau has led to the seizure of unlicensed broadcast radio equipment allegedly operated by Amil Lugo-González.

The station had been operating on 99.5 MHz from Jayuya, Puerto Rico. The FCC San Juan Office, working in conjunction with the United States Marshals Service and the Office of the United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico, seized the equipment on May 21st. The FCC says that on more than one occasion it had issued notices to Lugo-González directing him to cease operation of the unlicensed station. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: SHORT TERM RENEWALS GRANTED

Meanwhile, two radio amateurs have been given short term renewals of their Amateur Radio licenses. The FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth tells us who they are and the reason each is getting a shortened license term:

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Hollingsworth: : “A short term of an upgrade to Extra class was given by the Wireless Bureau to Sam Jacobs, K3SAM. The grant was short term due to previous problems involving the filing of a club call sign application.

And, a short term renewal was given to Peter Figuroa, N6IWH, of Berkeley California. Figuroa had been on the Amateur Bands after theexpiration of his license but there were some extenuating circumstances.”

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In both instances, two year license renewals were granted. If there are no other enforcement issues with either Jacobs or Figuroa over the next two years, each can apply for a full 10 year license renewal in 2004. (FCC, RAIN)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the AF4CY repeater serving Madison Virginia.

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: THE 160 METER GATEWAY NET GOES QRT

A longtime fixture on Top Band has gone silent. This as Vern Jackson, WA0RCR, announces that he has terminated operation of his famed 160 meter Gateway Net. Here is the announcement as Jackson himself made it:

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AUDIO ONLY REPORT: HEAR IT AT WWW.ARNEWSLINE.ORG
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Over the almost quarter of a century that it existed, Jackson's net presented some of the top news and information sources in ham radio. This includes Hap Holly's Radio Amateur Information Network and Amateur Radio Newsline, all in high fidelity A-M. (WA0RCR)

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THE VEC SYSTEM: NEW TECHNICIAN SYLLABUS RELEASED

The Question Pool Committee of the National Conference of Volunteer Examination Coordinators has released the revised Technician Class Element 2 Syllabus into the public domain. This syllabus will be used to develop the new question pool for Technician Examinations going into service on July 1st, 2003. All amateurs are encouraged to submit candidate questions to the Question Pool Committee by this coming September 15th.

Now before you sit down to dream up new questions there are some strict guidelines that must be followed. All proposed questions must be no more than 210 characters in length. This includes all spaces and punctuation. All answers and distracters no more than 140 characters including spaces and punctuation and you must identify both the syllabus area and the correct answer. Also, if the question is rule based, identify the exact reference in the Part 97 Amateur Service rules.

Candidate questions should be sent via e-mail to QPC@arrl.org. The complete syllabus will be posted to the ARRL website within the next few days. (W4WW, NCVEC)

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REGULATORY: JOINT U.S.- MEXICO COMMISSION MEETING CONCLUDED

Call it radio regulation on an international level. This with an announcement that the FCC's Enforcement Bureau recently took part in the 26th formal meeting of a regulatory body known as the Joint United States and Mexican Commission.

The Joint Commission, formerly known as the Mixed Commission is made up of representatives from the United States and Mexico.
The latest meeting took place in Mexico City during the week of April 22nd. During the gathering the group reviewed 115 cases of harmful radio interference in the United States and Mexican border zone. Of these, 47 were officially closed. A report is at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-02-1063A1.doc (CGC Communicator)

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REGULATORY NEWS: FDA WEB AGE ON RADIO FREQUENCY HAZARD FROM CELL PHONES

The Food and Drug Administration and the Federal Communications Commission have established a joint web page called "Cell Phone Facts." This, in an effort to provide reasoned answers to the public's never ending health and safety questions concerning the radio frequency power produced by portable cellular and PCS phones, and their base stations. The site is in cyberspace at www.fda.gov/cellphones (FDA, FCC)

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CONFERENCES: ARRL/TAPR DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE

Technical papers are solicited for presentation at the 21st Annual ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference. The event will be held September 13th to the 15th in Denver, Colorado.

The annual conference proceedings are published by the ARRL. Presentation at the conference is not required for publication. Submission of papers is due by August 5th. Conference registration details and updates, along with more information are in cyberspace available at www.tapr.org/dcc (TAPR, ARRL, ANS)

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HONORS: CQ MAGAZINE ADDS TO HALLS OF FAME

Forty-four new members have been added to the CQ Amateur Radio Hall of Fame, while the CQ Contest Hall of Fame and the CQ DX Hall of Fame each grew by one member. This, with OZ1LO being honored by his fellow contesters and W0AR being recognized for his accomplishments in DX’ing. The announcements were made at the recent Dayton Hamvention. A complete list of winners is in cyberspace at www.cq-amateur-radio.com in the “announcements” area. (CQ)

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BREAK 2

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: THE NEW E-MAC

Apple Computer has unveiled a new line of computers exclusively for educators and students. Apple says the new e-Mac will feature 17-inch monitors and high speed G4 processors. The e Mac is slightly smaller than the iMac and includes stereo speakers and a CD-recordable drive. The price for the new e-Mac machines will begin at 999 dollars. (Appple press release)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BOY BAND MEMBER MAY NOT MAKE IT TO SPACE

Possible problems for a boy-band member who wants to fly in space. The latest news reports quote the Russian Space Agency as saying it has no contract in hand to carry 'N Sync's Lance Bass to the International Space Station.

As previously reported here on Amateur Radio Newsline, Bass has made public his wish to visit the I-S-S. He has already made a trip to Russia to undergo medical tests in preparation for a seat on an upcoming flight.

As of airtime, its not known if Bass has been approached regarding his getting an Amateur Radio license and taking to the ham radio airwaves if he does get to make the trip. (Published reports)

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INTERNATIONAL – CANADA: NEW RAC CANADA DAY CONTEST MANAGER

Radio Amateurs of Canada Contest Manager Joe Mac Pherson, VE1CH, has announced that the Moncton Seniors Amateur Radio Club has taken over responsibility for the management of the R-A-C Canada Day contest. This, effective immediately. Mac Pherson says that all inquiries or electronic logs related to the R-A-C Canada Day Contest should be directed to ve9qed@rac.ca. Non-electronic logs, for the RAC Canada Day contest should be mailed to the Moncton Seniors Amateur Radio Club at Post Office Box 73, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada. The postal code is E1C 8R9.

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INTERNATIONAL - GIBRALTER: RESTRUCTURING AND A NRE LICENSE CLASS

License restructuring is coming to Gibralter. Peter Naish, VK2BPN in Australia has been advised by Wilfred Guerrero that Gibraltar will be introducing the New Foundation Licence by mid-June. Guerrero, who is the Secretary of Gibralter Amateur Radio Society says that the new llicense will be similar to the highly successful Foundation License recently put in place in the United Kingdom. The prefix to be used will be ZB3. (Q-News)

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DX

The 6 meter D-X season seems to be here. Jay Kesterson, K0GU in Colorado reports over the VHF Reflector on some very early season E skip openings to Europe. Jay notes that on June 4th at 15:14 UTC he heard the EN19 beacon. He then checked for European video signals and was surprised to hear many of them on and near 49.750 MHz. Jay says that some were S 9 plus 20 d-b. He then worked SM3UZS at 15:50 U-T-C followed by OH7PI at 16:45. (VHF Reflector)

Still with 6 meter D-X news, word that St. Paul Island should be on the air late June 29th through July 9th. According to Herb Spoonts, W3IWU, the operation will feature a full time, dedicated six meter station operated by W7XU, N0QJM, W0SD and W0OE. Herb says that the six meter station will only transmit on 50.157 MHz listening up 5 kHz and more when needed. Liaison will be on 28.885 MHz and updates will be provided to the appropriate Six Meter Internet sites and reflectors. St. Paul Island holds the prefix CY and is located in Grid Square will be FN97. QSL via W7XU. (Via E-Mail)

On the High Frequency bands, GB2RS reports that JH0IEW/JD1 and JE0EHE/JD1 will be active from Ogasawara Island through the 16th of June. They will be operating on 80 through six meters, including the WARC bands on SSB and CW. QSL to home calls or via the bureau. (GB2RS)

Also, keep an ear open for W5AA slash TI8 from Costa Rica until the 17th of June. He will operate on all bands with an emphasis on 30, 12 and 17 meters. QSL as directed on the air. (GB2RS)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: ATOMIC COFFEE MAKER

And finally this week, if you are a ham who has trouble waking up to keep those wee hours D-X schedules, the answer may be as close as the local appliance store. How about an atomic time coffee maker?

No, we aren’t kidding. We discovered this one last week in an appliance store in the Ft. Lauderdale Florida area. It’s called the Perfect Time Coffeemaker, and according to its manufacturer Melitta Salton Inc, it’s the first such device using radio frequency reception of atomic clock signals to keep it in sync with the National Bureau of Standards time keeping system.

Melitta Salton claims that the internal clock provides accurate time right out of the box by monitoring the WWVB broadcasts from Boulder Colorado. All the user need do is to select his or her time zone and the coffeemaker does the rest. It even automatically adjusts to Daylight Savings Time and its internal back-up batteries keep it going during short duration power losses. Salton also says that it also brews good coffee. And what more could any D-X hound ever ask for. (ARNewsline/4)

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This final note. The nominating period for the 2002 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year award closed on May 30th. The nominating forms are on their way to the judges. Their decision will be announced in early July.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Robert Sudock, WB6FDF, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

(TERMINAL BREAK)

RAIN PROMO

989. Re: ARRL Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-09 05:01:13 UTC
From: craignkathie@comcast.net
Message-ID: <f184df13.0206082101.f5f0d4e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3974

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> > Thanks.
> >
> > Craig
> > KG4SYB

990. Re: "PING" in APRS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-09 05:36:43 UTC
From: Ian Wade <ian.wade@netro.co.uk>
Message-ID: <uXTGkmArluA9EwIJ@netro.co.uk>
Source record: 3975
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,alt.ham-radio.packet,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf

In message <877dc28c.0206081301.5af1a333@posting.google.com>,
"indy465@yahoo.com" <indy465@yahoo.com> writes
>I'm still relatively new to packet and APRS, so I'm not familiar with
>all of the commands that exist in the APRS protocol.

Hi Indy465. The place to look for answers to all your questions is the
full APRS Protocol Specification, at:

http://www.tapr.org/tapr/html/aprswg.html

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73
Ian, G3NRW

Author of "NOSintro -- TCP/IP over Packet Radio"
http://www.ian.wade.care4free.net/nosintro.htm

991. FS/FT: AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU and Fan BRAND NEW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-09 18:10:22 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0206091010.1503f0c3@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3976
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I am selling an AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU and fan. I bought these recently on the internet because I had a problem with my old computer. After buying them, I decided to just upgrade completely, so now I don't need them. I am selling them for $40 or willing to trade for ham radio gear. Please email me directly if interested.

992. Re: ARRL Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-09 18:26:29 UTC
From: "Stephen C. Robbins" <srobbinsNOSPAMDUDES@netacc.net>
Message-ID: <3d039dd4$1@news.netacc.net>
Source record: 3977

The current build of the Java Virtual Machine (the vm) can be downloaded from the microsoft site at:

http://support.microsoft.com/default.aspx?scid=kb;en-us;Q163637

The debug enable/disable is in the IE Tools/Internet Options/Advanced menu

Hope this helps.

Steve

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> > > Craig
> > > KG4SYB

993. kenwood/alinco

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-10 09:54:34 UTC
From: ve3sjv@rac.ca
Message-ID: <3d027205.160537019@nntp.ktchnr.phub.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 3978

Field day is fast approaching and this year I want to take my both HF radios - Kenwood TS-440S and Alinco DX70TH But I want only one power supply and one power cable. I have a Kenwood PS-50 which I normally use on the 440 and am wondering if I can use it to power the Alinco as well.

Thanks
John
ve3sjv@rac.ca

994. Re: kenwood/alinco

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-10 11:33:11 UTC
From: gary <sgmm.hurd@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <X70N8.6145$gs4.4900@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3979

Double check the power ratings of both radios and if combined they don't equal 50amps you should be all set. Gary/WR1U

<ve3sjv@rac.ca> wrote in message news:3d027205.160537019@nntp.ktchnr.phub.net.cable.rogers.com...
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995. Re: New bill introduced

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-10 12:17:25 UTC
From: JTB <fireman1333@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <pN0N8.19735$fT5.5466510@typhoon.ne.ipsvc.net>
Source record: 3980

"provide relief to amateurs prevented by private deed covenants, conditions
and restrictions--CC&Rs--from installing outdoor antennas."

What exactly is a CC&R? I don't own a house, or any land for that matter,
so I imagine this wouldn't apply to me.
If I did own a house, what benefit would I get from this bill? Can anyone
shed some light for me?

Thanks
KB1EJW

996. Re: New bill introduced

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-10 17:41:42 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <qx5N8.6976$gs4.6289@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3981

It stands for "Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions". This is a mutually agreed to contract entered into by private parties when buying property, which defines the scope of use of the property. Most CC&R's today have explicit restrictions on the installation of antenna systems, which pretty much eliminates effective Ham radio use of the property.

Although this bill is a great idea if they can get it passed, I don't think it could vacate or modify any preexisting contracts (perhaps a real estate lawyer might comment here?). It might be of help to the purchaser of a new house, but I would think current property owners will still be bound to whatever contractual conditions they have already agreed to - unless they can get the other party(s) of the original contract to agree to modify it.

Bill or no Bill, the best policy when buying property is to *read the fine print* BEFORE you sign. If the defined use of the property doesn't fit your needs,then don't buy it. It's pretty hard to argue in court against a contract that you voluntarily agreed to. A lot of people I know didn't even request a copy of the CC&R's and local zoning ordinances for review before they bought their property!

When I bought my current house, I had my lawyer research all of the local ordnances, existing CC&R's, etc., and had a specific paragraph added to the purchase contract specifying that there were no existing limitations or restrictions on the installation of antennas or antenna support structures. I have been here for four years now, and my antenna farm is growing nicely... :>)

73 de W6DKN

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997. Re: kenwood/alinco

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-10 23:11:48 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <ae3bnr$1hi5$1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 3982

As long as you only transmitt on one rig at a time you will be fine.

<ve3sjv@rac.ca> wrote in message
news:3d027205.160537019@nntp.ktchnr.phub.net.cable.rogers.com...
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998. Re: New bill introduced

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-11 01:50:39 UTC
From: Tom Currie <n4aof@iglou.com>
Message-ID: <3D05576F.4BCED6E3@iglou.com>
Source record: 3983

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It depends -- if you owned a home and when you bought the home you
were stupid enough to buy the home without reading the title
documents and thereby signed a binding legal contract not to have
antennas, this bill would cover up your stupidity and let you have
antennas with no regard for the legal obligations you freely agreed
to and no consideration for your neighbors who had previously
thought you were honest and respectable.

999. Re: ARRL Website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-11 03:09:15 UTC
From: craignkathie@comcast.net
Message-ID: <f184df13.0206101909.5d535eb3@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3984

Thanks Steve. I now have the current Java vm downloaded and installed.

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1000. Re: Royal Order of the Wouff Hong

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-11 03:36:37 UTC
From: Web <WebFx27@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <fgeN8.8072$Ku3.625138@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3985

Every amateur should know and tremble at the history and origins of this fearsome instrument for the punishment of amateurs who cultivate bad operating habits and who nourish and culture their meaner instincts on the air.

It was invented--or at any rate, discovered-by "The Old Man" himself, just as amateurs were getting back on the air after World War One. "The Old Man" (who later turned out to be Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW, co-founder and first president of ARRL) first heard the Wouff Hong described amid the howls and garble of QRM as he tuned across a band filled with signals which exemplified all the rotten operating practices then available to amateurs, considering the state of the art as they knew it. As amateur technology and ingenuity have advanced, we have discovered many new and improved techniques of rotten operating, but we're ahead of our story.

As The Old Man heard it, the Wouff Hong was being used on some hapless offender so effectively that he investigated. After further effort, "T.O.M." was able to locate and identify a Wouff Hong. He wrote a number of QST articles about contemporary rotten operating practices and the use of the Wouff Hong to discipline the offenders.

Early in 1919, The Old Man wrote in QST "I am sending you a specimen of a real live Wouff Hong which came to light out here . . . Keep it in the editorial sanctum where you can lay hands on it quickly in an emergency." The "specimen of a real live Wouff Hong" was presented to a meeting of the ARRL Board and QST reported later that "each face noticeably blanched when the awful Wouff Hong was . . . laid upon the table." The Board voted that the Wouff Hong be framed and hung in the office of the Secretary of the League and there it remains to this day, a sobering influence on every visitor to League Headquarters who has ever swooshed a carrier across a crowded band.

The Old Man never prescribed the exact manner in which the Wouff Hong was to be used, but amateurs need only a little imagination to surmise how painful punishments were inflicted on those who stoop to liddish behavior on the air.

(taken from ARRL)

"lousherry" <lousherry@lanset.com> wrote in message
news:3D02A6D0.8020908@lanset.com...
> Sorry can't tell you its a secret!
>
> Dumpster Dude wrote:
>
> > The Royal Order of the Wouff Hong - Is it a joke? Some weird ARRL

> > thing? What the heck is it? :)
> >
>

1001. 2nd Request -- Want info on best HF noise blankers for mobile

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-11 13:50:26 UTC
From: Ed Juge/NM <ed@juge.org>
Message-ID: <3d060080.0@oracle.zianet.com>
Source record: 3986

Anxious to hear from anyone who has had experience with multiple mobile HF radios in a noisy car. I would like to know which one(s) seems to have the most effective noise limiter against impulse noise.

Thanks... Ed, W5EJ

From: ------------------------------------
Ed Juge
Ruidoso, New Mexico
email: ed@juge.org
Phone: 505-258-1721
Cell: 505-430-7209
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1002. kenwood/alinco +ps50

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-11 21:58:16 UTC
From: ve3sjv@rac.ca
Message-ID: <3d05d522.32241788@nntp.ktchnr.phub.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 3987

Thanks to those that replied. Pinout on the kenwood looks identical to the alinco dx70 so the ps50 should power each radio (singly of course) just fine. All it took was to find my kenwood manuals buried at the bottom of my pile to be filed and compare the power plugs with the alinco manual. look identical so that solves another fied day problem!!

cya on the air

John
ve3sjv@rac.ca

1003. Help reqd: Icom IC-V200T

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-12 08:14:33 UTC
From: Tony Baard <TONYB@ITS.uct.ac.za>
Message-ID: <3D0702E9.3B5C557F@ITS.uct.ac.za>
Source record: 3988
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi there

A fellow amateur is looking for the pin configuration for the microphone socket on the Icom IC-V200T. The original mic has gone faulty and he would like to replace it with a DTMF mic.

He would also like to know how to assign an alphanumeric tag to the channels so that the tag displays on the LCD.

Thanks in advance!

Regards.

1004. Micronta power Supply 22-124 : Looking for Schematics and Transistors

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 04:14:14 UTC
From: ea5xq@qsl.net
Message-ID: <e82d6dcb.0206122014.63cf89a5@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3989

Hi to all,

I received from a friend a Micronta power Supply model No. 22-124. It does not work at all and my guess is that the transistors have been burned out. As the reference has been erased I do not know which transistors are for replacing them.

Anyone could help me providing me the schematics and the transistors reference?

Thanks

Juan

1005. 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 12:16:50 UTC
From: "John Burns (NZ)" <johnburns007@NOhotmailSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <g60O8.3144$iR2.349708@news.xtra.co.nz>
Source record: 3990
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Ok, here goes

Please keep in mind I am not a radio amateur and anything more than gain, and SWR leave me floundering.

I am getting interested in launching weather balloons to a high altitude and taking photographs. Part of the task is sending telemetry data back to a base station so I can track the unit. I am using a Basic Stamp 2sx so generate DTMF tones of the telemetry data at a rate of 5 tones per second.

I want to a cheaply as possible be able to transmit this data line of site (straight down) around 30KM (20 miles). I have a set of Motorola t5100 2 way radios, which transmit 500mw of power in the 467Mhz range. What I would like to know is if it is possible to get this range out of one of these transmitters?

I will be using an Icom IC-R2 scanning receiver to receive the signal, and intend on building a 12 element or so Yagi to use with it. I will need to use some sort of directional antenna for transmitting as there is no point transmitting away from earth.

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I hope this helps

-John

1006. internet linking page for hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 12:36:25 UTC
From: mitbr <hmm@anywhere.net>
Message-ID: <dl0O8.37334$gs4.18590@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3991

Check my url below for the conference page for ham radio. You will find all
the currently popular internet linking software for amateur radio!!
http://home1.gte.net/res0plht/conference.htm
Tim
KG4JJS
Please visit my Tampa Bay Radio Page at the url below
http://home1.gte.net/res0plht/Mi01000.htm

1007. 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 12:38:20 UTC
From: "John Burns (NZ)" <johnburns007@NOhotmailSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <1D0O8.3147$iR2.350651@news.xtra.co.nz>
Source record: 3992
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Ad Astra per Ardua

1008. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 15:20:56 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwknospam@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <aead8o$5cb0r$1@ID-139484.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 3993
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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Signal to Noise ratio to play with
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Take it up to 28MHz so you don't have Good Buddy skip to contend with
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> be fairly lossy, and the rubber ducky antenna on my scanner is shown as
> being a 3.5DB gain at this frequency.
>
Chuck them in the bin
>
> I hope this helps
> -John
>
I think I've helped ? :-)

Steve Terry

1009. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 15:22:01 UTC
From: PJML <pjml@nerc.ac.uk.loopback>
Message-ID: <3D08B899.7E1FCF5E@nerc.ac.uk.loopback>
Source record: 3995
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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radios he is proposing to use don't operate on
any ham-band (I'm assuming 467MHz is some sort
of New Zealand equivalent to our PMR446 shortrange
walkie-talkies)

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1010. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 15:22:41 UTC
From: Walt Davidson <walt99@tiscali.co.uk>
Message-ID: <61ehgu0uotpinathjprlk47n5o4ugjmg5b@4ax.com>
Source record: 3994
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 14 Jun 2002 00:16:50 +1200, "John Burns \(NZ\)"
<johnburns007@NOhotmailSPAM.com> wrote:

>Please keep in mind I am not a radio amateur and anything more than gain,
>and SWR leave me floundering.

If you have an understanding of SWR, then you are doing a lot better
than 95% of all radio amateurs (and 100% of M3's)!

73 de G3NYY

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Walt Davidson Email: g3nyy @freeuk.com

1011. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 17:02:48 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwknospam@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <aeaj7o$5dq2i$1@ID-139484.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 3996
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"PJML" <pjml@nerc.ac.uk.loopback> wrote in message
news:3D08B899.7E1FCF5E@nerc.ac.uk.loopback...
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> of New Zealand equivalent to our PMR446 shortrange
> walkie-talkies)
> file://PJML//
>
There are so many illegal "Freebanders" on the bottom of 28MHz
Who would notice someone sending telemetry ??

Maybe he could ask a local Amateur to "lend" his presence and callsign to the
project ?

Steve Terry

1012. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 17:15:56 UTC
From: Brian Reay <brian.reay@bigfoot.com>
Message-ID: <8p4O8.4972$GP6.127399@newsfep1-win.server.ntli.net>
Source record: 3997
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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> like to know is if it is possible to get this range out of one of these
> transmitters?
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I'm not sure of the legal situation in NZ but any of the suggestions made
thus far would NOT be legal in the UK.

As letting of balloons to a high altitude is not exactly inconspicious I
suggest caution. In the UK there are legal i.e. exempt telemetry
transmitters you can use- around 175MHz as I recall- I suggest you try and
find out if there is a similar allocation in NZ.

Also, what is the situation re balloons- in the UK there are rules regarding
this.

I'm not trying to be a kill joy but where does NZ send its convicts these
days? (Australia- you would have to drink Fosters, that must be cruel and
un-natural punishment)

73

Brian
G8OSN

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Brian Reay
www.g8osn.org.uk

1013. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 19:08:16 UTC
From: hrbcrb@aol.com.goaway
Message-ID: <20020613150816.10398.00000063@mb-fz.aol.com>
Source record: 3998

Hello John

Lets look at the numbers, you gave us; 500mw (Tx), 467Mhz (f), range of 20 miles, a scanner for Rx, and a 12 element yagi for Rx antenna.

I will assume the scanner has at least a sensitivity of -115dBm/.35uv, and that yagi has a gain of 12dBi. Note if these assumptions are not valid, then you can adjust the path loss analysis as required.

Although interesting, your range testing cannot be directly applied to the line of site path analysis. However the range test you performed would tend to indicate the units Tx power output is at or near the published 500mw. Because your application is direct line of sight a simple path or spreading loss computation, and summation of the system component(s) gains is straight forward.

First we have to convert all of the numbers into dB so we can sum them. A Tx power of 500mw = 27dBm, we assumed a Rx sensitivity of -115dBm, the yagi gain at 12dBi, and at this point I will assume a Tx antenna gain of -3dBi.

The equation for free space path loss is 36.6+20logD+20logF, D in miles, and F is frequency in Mhz. We run the numbers and get 116dB spreading loss for an operating F of 467Mhz at 20 miles.

Now we sum the numbers; Tx pwr, Tx ant gain, spreading loss, Rx sensitivity, and Rx antenna gain.

27dB-3dB(i)-116dB+115dB(m)+12dB(i) and come up with a 35dB margin for the 20 mile range you wish to operate. A 20dB margin is considered to yield a reliability factor of 99.9% - looks like the equipment you have is up to the task.

This we haven't discussed in this presentation are antenna beam patterns. You will have to add attenuation to the above path loss for not operating on the main beam of the Tx and Rx antenna. I think the biggest challenge will be keeping the ground receiving yagi pointed directly at the balloon, and oreintation of the Tx antenna in the balloon.

Hope this in some way helps.

Regards, Hugh KF6HHS
Retired, now life moves at my pace.
please note spam filter

1014. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-13 21:56:10 UTC
From: "John Burns (NZ)" <johnburns007@NOhotmailSPAM.com>
Message-ID: <7A8O8.3215$iR2.359757@news.xtra.co.nz>
Source record: 3999
Cross-posted to:
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Thanks Steve, Everything has been taken in and well thought over. The reason i was looking in the frequency range I was, was because a chappy in california used a 5 watt 440Mhz system and said it was overkill.

The reason I am using DTMF is that it is cheap! Once I have the rest of the equipment sorted out such as GPS balloon and Helium (not cheap), I can't afford spending money on packet radio modems - especially for the first flight, New Zealand is a very narrow country, so a lot of the difficult work isn't getting the balloon up, but controlling the fall back to earth so that the package heads back towards its starting point. Also, a rate of 6 tones per second, 24bps is more than enough when you only need to send around 30 bytes per transmission - it will take 10 seconds to send the data packet, but who cares?? I will transmit continuously updated data by this method.

I am not sure of where to start looking for a 27mhz balloon radiosonde, but I will have a ring around. Someone must know someone who knows someone who knows someons who has a spare one going cheap!

Regards

John Burns
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Something to pass the boredom;
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> > -John
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> I think I've helped ? :-)
>
> Steve Terry
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1015. Regency HR-2A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-14 00:02:55 UTC
From: dss117@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020613200255.13680.00000482@mb-dd.aol.com>
Source record: 4050

I was given an old Regency HR-2A 2 meter moble rig. It seems to work fine but
I am trying to find a manual for it. I can buy it for about $25 off the net,
but that may be more than the rig is worth. I will pay copy and shipping cost
if anyone has one.
Thanks
Doug
KC9AYS@arrl.net
DSS117@aol.com

1016. radio repairer wanted

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-14 01:08:26 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020613210826.13970.00001347@mb-df.aol.com>
Source record: 4051

I have several handheld radios that need repairing. I can take these home for repair. I need to know within 3 weeks (but probably 2 weeks), or the job will be given to someone else. Also,you must be in Massachusetts.
Ironically, since I brought it up, now they want the repairs sooner. So, the sooner I can
find some help, the better.

Anyone with knowledge of radio electronics willing to do radio repairs? If you have the experience, but are not willing to do the repairs, please contact me as well. I would be able to compensate you for a 1 day appearance. Please email me if you want more details about this. Also, anyone that is just interested in working with these radios is welcome as well.

If you, or if you know someone that may be interested, please email me. My email address is vshah101@aol.com in case you are interested.

1017. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-14 10:03:47 UTC
From: jeff <w5omr-anti-spam@w5omr.antispam.shacknet.nu>
Message-ID: <7cjO8.107398$9z5.6062893@typhoon.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 4052
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

: Thanks Steve, Everything has been taken in and well thought over. The reason
: i was looking in the frequency range I was, was because a chappy in
: california used a 5 watt 440Mhz system and said it was overkill.

And it probably was.

hi John. Let me shed some light on this subject for you.

You see, the propagation on V/UHF Frequencies (say 50Mhz and up) is Line of
Sight. In other words, if you can see it, at UHF, you can talk to it. 500mW
from a talkie can hit a repeater on a Mountain top 40 miles away, why can't your
two talkies talk to each other 20 miles, if the only thing between the ground
talkie
and the airborn talkie is Space?

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: I will have a ring around. Someone must know someone who knows someone who
: knows someons who has a spare one going cheap!

I wouldn't worry about it, John. Stick with UHF. You'll do more than fine.

While I'm at it, let me take issue with a few more comments of Steve's...

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: > a lower frequency will give you a lower path loss

Not necesarily true. And, since Steve was talking about using 28MHz he's not
taking into consideration the fact that you'll be out of communication in around
5 or 6 miles, due to propagation. You're balloon will be 4 times that.

: > How about a cheap modded SSB CB ? Take the board out of one
: > (Balloon Radiosondes have worked for years on 27MHz)
: > Take it up to 28MHz so you don't have Good Buddy skip to contend with

More work than what you need, and besides you already said that anything more
than turning a rig on/off and gain leaves you floundering (grinz)
It is nice to note that Mr. Terry acknowledges the fact that interference is a
possibility, due to the frequency selected. A bad idea, all together.

Let's see what else Mr Terry has to say...

:(and you'll have maybe 10 watts PEP to play with)

See my explanation earlier about line-of-site propagation. More power means
more battery, means more wieght, etc... This is a Balloon launch, for heavens
sake - not a luxury cruise :-)

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: and intend on building a 12 element or so Yagi to use with it. I will need
: to use some sort of directional antenna for transmitting as there is no
: point transmitting away from earth.

I don't think so. Not at that elevation. a good vertical sticking out the bottom of
the balloon will cover well. you can track it with a beam if you wanted, but I don't
really think you'll need to. If you've got a pair of these talkies, then using one to
TX with, and one to RX with makes the most sense.

If you -really- want to increase the transmit range on the balloon talkie, make a
better antenna for UHF, OR add some ground radials to the existing talkie.
Cut the right length, a couple of radials, or a (approx) 5" aluminum dish around
the connector of the duck-antenna, connected to the sheild (ground) and below
the radiating part of the antenna, will give a ground plane for the antenna to
work off of. Use the Ground plane to have the antenna focus the signal back to
earth, if you're worried about enough signal from 20 miles up (which I don't think
you'll have a problem with)

You're best bet, would be to get some good antennas to put on those talkies, and go
with that, John.

Best of Luck!

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73 = Best Regards,
-=Jeff/W5OMR=-

1018. 70cm PA on 4CX250

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-14 11:01:40 UTC
From: Bizon <bizongod@poczta.fm>
Message-ID: <aedjq9$m07$2@news.tpi.pl>
Source record: 4053

Hi !
Have anyone schematic of 70cm PA on 4CX250
(single tube) ?

Thanks
Bizon

1019. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 01:43:42 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwknospam@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <aee64g$696h4$1@ID-139484.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 4054
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What do you think his Tx efficiency is going to be constantly Txing FM with
tones ?
A narrow mode like intermitant tones on SSB will be far more efficient

Steve Terry

1020. Rptr Freqs Downtown San Francisco

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 02:38:29 UTC
From: ve7ggj@nospam.rac.ca
Message-ID: <11288719ROBOTLX@198.80.55.250>
Source record: 4055

Can someone point me to 2 meter and 440 rptrs
that are accessible using an HT around downtown SFO?

1021. Kenwood V7A, MCP and extended receive

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 04:46:45 UTC
From: google@jfcl.com
Message-ID: <a23c9cdf.0206142046.1ac9f368@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4056

I have a Kenwood V7A with the "standard" mod for extended receive, the PG4S cable, and the MCP_V7 program. The problem is that MCP_V7 doesn't seem to know about the extended receive ability of the radio, and won't let me enter any frequencies outside the original range. Is there a solution to this problem?

Thanks,
Bob Armstrong
kf6tbn@jfcl.com

1022. Free KENWOOD, ICOM and YAESU Ham Radio Manuals for download

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 04:50:54 UTC
From: zaqqy123@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <d07585b3.0206142050.450d8a7c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4057

I came across this extremely useful and well done web page for free radio manual downloads for Icom, Kenwood, and Yaesu radios and accessories both current stuff and older rigs as well.

Schematic diagrams are included with most. It includes complete service mnauals also for a few of the products. A great find!

http://www.ab7sl.com/index.html?row1col2=links.html

John Smith - KB9BMB 73'

1023. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 08:22:23 UTC
From: Paul Keinanen <keinanen@sci.fi>
Message-ID: <k6qlgusmr5ckep3bd8gvnn25g2hbj87sll@4ax.com>
Source record: 4058
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

On Fri, 14 Jun 2002 00:16:50 +1200, "John Burns \(NZ\)"
<johnburns007@NOhotmailSPAM.com> wrote:

>I want to a cheaply as possible be able to transmit this data line of site
>(straight down) around 30KM (20 miles).

True observation sondes have a light payload compared to the balloon
and thus, it will reach high altitudes very quickly before exploding.
Thus, it will remain within the visual line of sight path from a well
located ground station all the time.

However, with a heavier payload, the ascent rate is much slower and
the balloon might drift out of sight from a specific ground station.
Thus you may have use a mobile tracking station. When mobile, you most
probably do not have a line of sight path.

Using two or more balloons would increase the ascent rate, but then
again, hopefully they explode at the same time.

> I have a set of Motorola t5100 2
>way radios, which transmit 500mw of power in the 467Mhz range. What I would
>like to know is if it is possible to get this range out of one of these
>transmitters?

You can calculate the line-of-sight path loss from

L = 32 + 20log(f) + 20log(d)

in which L is the path loss in dB, f is the frequency in MHz and did
the distance in km. At 30 km and 467 MHz, the path loss is 115 dB.

You can not use high antenna gains at the wobbling free flying
balloon, maybe just aim in the general direction downwards, thus, the
maximum Tx antenna gain would be 3 dB. With 500 mW of transmitter
power (+27 dBm), the ERP downwards would be +30 dBm. After suffering
the 115 dB path loss, the signal in an omnidirectional antenna would
deliver on the ground would be -85 dBm.

>I will be using an Icom IC-R2 scanning receiver to receive the signal,

A typical NBFM receiver will have a usable sensitivity around -120 dBm
and for reliable DTMF detection maybe -100 dBm should be sufficient,
thus, there is more than enough signal if you are directly below the
balloon with line of sight.

>and
>intend on building a 12 element or so Yagi to use with it.

A long directional antenna is more or less impossible to operate while mobile, so you would have to stop on at a good point to get line of sight path. However, such an antenna would be a nice thing to have on a fixed tracking station, provided that the horizon is very low in all direction. In order to be able to track the balloon close to the horizon, the transmitter antenna should radiate sufficiently even to the horizon, thus the 3 dB transmitter antenna gain may be too much.

However, the UHF signal is more or less useless, once the payload has reached the ground (hopefully hanging on a parachute :-), since now you don't have a line of sight path and the signal would be heard maybe only 1-2 km. A rescue beacon at much lower frequencies would be good idea. Direction finding with a NBFM receiver is not easy, so a SSB/AM receiver with variable antenna attenuator would help in locating the payload.

If you have the GPS receiver on board, it might be a good idea to transmit the location while descending at a high repetition rate (only sending the last digits) over the telemetry transmitter and also send the whole coordinates over the rescue beacon or the last coordinates the GPS receiver had, before loosing the contact with the satellites.

Paul OH3LWR

1024. Re: 500mW telemetry transmission

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 10:03:29 UTC
From: meghertz@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <28855dc3.0206150203.5568c5df@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4059
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio,alt.radio.amateur,aus.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

"Steve Terry" <g4wwknospam@tesco.net> wrote in message
news:<aead8o$5cb0r$1@ID-139484.news.dfncis.de>...
> Half a watts probably OK, But Not FM with a low gain aerial
> a lower frequency will give you a lower path loss

Typical 'real amateur' G4 with no idea.

500mW ERP is +27dBm output
FREESPACE Path Loss over 30km at 467MHz - around 115dB
Signal received should be in the order of S9+ (if you're aware of
the -93dBm standard for S9) allowing even a few dB of extra losses.

Think of it this way - over a 1km line-of-sight path you'd expect FRS or 446
radios to give each other S9+++ signals, I hope (otherwise you *REALLY* haven't
got a clue). Now extend the distance 30 times and you obviously get 900 times
less signal - which is just under 30dB or 5 S-points.

A horizontal crossed dipole up there, giving circular polarization, should
do nicely to avoid fades during spinning - only another 3dB loss to the R2.

But what do I know, I'm 'only' a Class B CBer
MegHz

1025. FA: Motorola M120 40 watt 403-433 NIB (link radio)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 16:01:16 UTC
From: h2osaltt@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020615120116.19723.00000475@mb-da.aol.com>
Source record: 4060

Please see EBay# 1358508738

1026. Field day fun

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 19:55:47 UTC
From: tecnicalham@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020615155547.28819.00000527@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 4061

It was around Spring break. We just came back from a cruise from Mexico. Its getting time for the summer. We are making our preparations for Field Day. We laid out our materials and took an inventory.

Field Day is fun with a purpose: it's an emergency communications drill disguised as a combination radio contest and public awareness exhibit.

Before Field Day, we met at the restaurant and had a steak dinner.

Field Day stations will be sprouting up all over the area on Saturday morning. Open fields and hill tops are a favorite spot because they make antenna erection easier.

When we went to Field Day, we got our party together. But first, we fired up the grill for our cook out. We had some burgers and broke open a can of beer. We were admiring the pretty girls.

We socialized with people from other clubs. It was so amazing how many people in Ham radio were slim, in shape and fit. Amateur radio operators get a lot of exercise in their hobby. This makes one attractive to the opposite sex.

Ham radio is primarily about electronics and communications. In exchange for passing an FCC sanctioned exam, radio amateurs are given access to a wide range of operating frequencies and communications modes.

Ham radio is interesting and fun. It is so great to see so many radio professionals that are also Ham radio enthusiasts. Many successful, cool people are in Ham Radio. Many people were passing by and stopped to see what was happening. We saw some really neat working rigs (radio setups)!! It was really fascinating to see some working amateur radio rigs. This caused them to want to join a Ham Radio club.

Johnny wanted to join Ham Radio because of its popularity. "All the cool kids were Hamming and I didn’t want to be left out, so I joined my local Amateur radio club.", said Johnny.
"Ham radio operators are fun and adventurous. I can’t wait to get my license!"

Similarly, many females saw that there were female Hams and got interested in Ham Radio and wanted to join. "All in all it was a great experience and I am ready to do it again!!"

Later on there was a rock band playing rock music.
After field day we went to the beach and talked about out Ham Radio experiences.

1027. ARNewsline 1296 - June 14 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-15 23:55:14 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020615195514.21984.00001706@mb-cg.aol.com>
Source record: 4062

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1296 - June 14 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1296 with a release date of Friday, June 14th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Venezuela says no to W-R-C 2003 and the international conference is looking for a new home. This story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1296 coming your way right now.

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RADIO LAW: WRC-03 LOOKING FOR A NEW HOME

The venue of the next World Radiocommunications Conference has become uncertain. This, after Venezuela withdraws an invitation to the International Telecommunications Union to host the conference. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, tells us the impact this decision may have on Amateur Radio:
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According to an ARRL Bulletin, the conference had been scheduled to be held in Caracas next June and July. Whether it can be held on the scheduled dates in some other location is not yet known. This is because the planning for a conference of this size and scope generally takes two or three years.

There are a number of issues of importance to hams are on the agenda. These include reaching agreement on separate allocations for Amateur Radio and broadcasting in the the 7 MHz band along with the possible revision of Article S-25 of the International Radio Regulations. Also to be taken under advisement is the issue of whether to retain the treaty requirement to demonstrate Morse code proficiency for access to amateur bands below 30 MHz.

But all of this may have to wait if the I-T-U cannot find a new host and find one quickly. And that could be a rather problematic at best.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.
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The International Telecommunications Union did have an option on conference space in Geneva, but that expired before Venezuela decided to cancel. The Venezuelan National Commission of Telecommunications cited ongoing economic concerns for its decision to walk away from hosting the meeting. (Adapted from ARRL Bulletin)

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RESCUE RADIO: THE COLORADO HAYMAN FIRE AND HAM RADIO

A 90,000 acre wildfire called Hayman -- the largest wildfire in Colorado's history -- is blazing just outside Denver. Firefighters, supported by many volunteers including ham radio communicators moved into position ahead of the flames Wednesday June 12th. They are setting backfires to try to block the fire's path toward the city's southwestern suburbs.

According to news reports, the Hayman fire was sparked by a campfire in the Pike National Forest southwest of Denver. It has been growing in intensity and slowly moving to the north-east. The blaze now covers close to 145 square miles. So far it has destroyed 21 homes and immediately threatens another 2,500.

Earlier, evacuations had been ordered in the town of Sedelia and in the Tarryall area in Park County. Tarryall is on the fire's northwestern edge. Colorado has also put out a call for additional fire-fighting crews from across the nation to be sent to the area. About 540 firefighters were working on the fires, and 800 more were requested.

Amateur Radio is playing a vital role in the overall fire control effort. According to Jay Miller, W-A-5-W-H-N in Albuquerque, quite a bit of support communications is taking place over the Mega Link repeater that interties the entire region. And health and welfare nets are operational on both 40 and 75 meter SSB in addition to VHF F-M. It is a very fluid situation and net frequencies vary with location and time of day. (WA5WHN, ARNewsline™)

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RESCUE RADIO: THE COLORADO IRON MOUNTAIN FIRE FIRE AND HAM RADIO

The Hayman fire comes on the heels of last weeks Iron Mountain Fire. more than 1000 residents were evacuated near Canon City. At least 200 structures were destroyed. According to the ARRL, members of Fremont County ARES staffed a Red Cross shelter set up to serve the evacuated residents in nearby Cotopaxi. They also helped to staff the incident command post and the Deer Mountain Fire Station. Also, hams from Pikes Peak ARES staffed the Red Cross headquarters in Colorado
Springs. More on this story as news is made available. (Adapted from ARRL Bulletin)

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ENFORCEMENT: TWO MORE PIRATE BUST

Two unlicensed broadcasters are are off the air and feeling the FCC's sting. Amateur Radio Newsline's Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has the details from New York:

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In the first case the agency has issued a monetary forfeiture -- better known as a fine -- a forfeiture in the amount of $10,000 to Thomas A. Brothers of Detroit Michigan. Brothers was cited for willfully and repeatedly violating Section 301 of the Communications Act of 1934 involving operating an FM station on 88.3 MHz without a Commission license.

Also being ordered to pay $10,000 for operating an unlicensed broadcast station is the Revrend Doctor Phillius Nicholas of Brooklyn New York. Dr.

Nicholas is also acused of operating a station in the FM broadcast band without a license to do so. He too was found to have violated the same section of the Communications Act.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.

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Neither Brothers or Nicholas responded to initial Notices of Violation. Both have been given thirty days to pay the fines imposed by the FCC. (FCC)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W1QWT repeater serving Scituate, Massachusetts.

(5 sec pause here)

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THE WORLD: MISSIONARY KILLED IN THE PHILIPPINES WAS A HAM

Some sad news to report. A ham radio operator and missionary taken captive by Muslim extremists in the Philippines died during a rescue attempt on Friday June 7th.

Martin Burnham, KC0DNB, and his wife Gracia were among three Americans abducted by the Abu Sayyaf guerrillas in May of 2001 from a resort off Palawan island in the southwest Philippines. Martin Burnham was killed during the fire-fight to rescue them. Gracia Burnham suffered a would to her leg but was otherwise unharmed. A Filipino nurse held hostage by the same rebels was also killed during the rescue attempt.

The Abu Sayyaf rebels have been linked to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaeda terrorist network by United States intelligence sources. Four rebels were killed while Philippine troops suffered seven wounded. U.S. military advisors training Filipino troops in jungle warfare were not involved in the rescue attempt.

The Burnhams, from Rose Hills Kansas, were married for 19 years and had lived in the Philippines since 1986. Martin Burnham, KC0DNB, was a pilot for New Tribes Missions, flying other missionaries and supplies throughout the region.

(CQ, ARNewsline™)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC TELLS UTILITY TO CLEAN UP INTERFERENCE TO HAM RADIO

Yet another utility company has been told by the FCC to solve an interference problem to a local ham. This as the agency's Consumer Information and Government Affairs Bureau issues a letter to Reliant Energy Corporation of Houston Texas requesting that it work with a local amateur operator named Ed Gerber, W5GCX, to resolve an ongoing powerline interference problem. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: EX-HAM BACK IN JAIL FOR PAROLE VIOLATION

A former ham is back in jail. This with word that Jack Gerritson, the ex-KG6IRO of Los Angeles will be spending the next three years in prison for violating parole on an earlier conviction involving malicious interference to emergency service communications.

As previously reported, Gerritson was arrested and convicted in 1999 for radio interference to the Los Angeles Police Department. On November 14, 2001, Gerritson's ham radio license and KG6IRO call sign were set aside by the FCC.

Gerritson was freed from prison on probation after serving one year of a five year term. After his release, the FCC says that he continued operating and causing deliberate interference to numerous Amateur radio repeaters in the Los Angeles area. So this past January 29th, Los Angeles FCC agents participated in a pre-dawn arrest of Gerritson. His arrest came in direct response to complaints of death threats allegedly made by Gerritson on a 2-Meter Amateur Service frequency. (FCC)

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RADIO LAW: FCC DISMISSES DISH ANTENNA CHALLENGES

The FCC has dismissed several petitions for reconsideration of it's 1996 direct broadcast satellite antenna Report and Order. In the order, the Commission had preempted local regulations that imposed restrictions affecting the installation, use and maintenance of satellite earth station antennas one meter or less in any area or two meters or less in commercial or industrial areas.
Nine petitions for reconsideration of the 1996 Report and Order were filed. Then, in October of 2001, the FCC's International Bureau released a public notice asking parties to refresh the record regarding petitions for reconsideration of the Antenna Report and Order.
In the public notice, the Bureau noted that, since the release of the order, many of the issues raised in the petitions for reconsideration may have become moot or irrelevant in light of intervening events. No petitioner filed in response to this public notice. The FCC has now dismissed those petitions on the grounds none have not indicated an intent to pursue their respective appeal. (FCC)
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RADIO REGULATIONS: MICROWAVE RADOMES PROPOSED FOR LOCAL FOREST SERVICE SITES

The CGC Communicator reports that the Forest Service is proposing to require radome covers on all microwave dishes that are installed on Forest Service land in the state of California. The service says that this action is necessary to protect the California Condor from perching on the horizontal feed horns of the dishes and becoming microwave baked. The decision comes in the wake of an environmental lawsuit brought by conservationists. (CGC Communicator)

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CONTESTS: CQ WW VHF WEEKEND

Changing gears, word this year's CQ World Wide VHF Contest will be held the third weekend in July. Operations commence at 1800 U-T-C on July 20 and ending at 2100 U-T-C on July 21, 2002.

Please note that this date is one week later than in past years. The change comes in response to numerous requests by the participants and potential participants. The old date was in direct conflict with the I-A-R-U contest and the World Radiosports Team Championship games. It also occurred only one week after the European Field Day. Complete rules can be found in .pdf format at
http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com/VHFRUl02.pdf (W3ZZ)

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AWARDS: KB2YAA NAMED BY PIONEER RADIO OPERATOR SOCIETY

And congratulations go out to Gary Tillinghast, KB2YAA, of Springville New York. This, on his being named as the Pioneer Radio Operator Society Amateur of the Year. KB2YAA is an active member of the Handi Ham System which made public the news that he had received this prestigious honor. (Handi Hams)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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REGULATORY: ARE YOU ELECTROSENSITIVE?

Are you ectrosensitive? That is, are you one of those people who is unusually sensitive to radio frequency fields?

Well a group called the Cellular Phone Taskforce thinks that some people are. It also believes that the FCC should not allow certain RF telemetry equipment in health care facilities. The Taskforce's holds the opinion that these R-F fields will have what it calls the "unwanted, illegal and unconstitutional effect of depriving electrically sensitive persons of access to health care.

Well, it turns out that the electrosensitivity issue was considered by the FCC some time ago in E-T Docket 95 dash 177. After giving it consideration, it was dismissed. More information can be found at
http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-02-135A1.doc (FCC)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: FLYING THE INTERNET

Three airlines -- American, Delta and United say they will offer high-speed Internet connections on some long-distance U.S. flights beginning this summer.

The connections will cost around $20 an hour and offer e-mail, access to the Web, and live television broadcasts. The airlines say that they hoped to eventually expand the service to most of their domestic and international flights. Passengers would have to bring their own laptop computers. (Computer Daily)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: HAMS SET NEW SPACE ENDURANCE RECORD

Two American ham radio operators have broken NASA's space endurance record of 188 days and four hours. But astronaut Dan Bursch, KD5PNU, declined a playful suggestion from Mission Control that he might want to go for the 438-day world record.

Bursch's fellow space-traveler, Carl Walz, KC5TIE, was with him in the space station and the shuttle and shares the endurance record. The two astronauts broke the record while in bed, ready for some shut-eye. The old U.S. record was set by Shannon Lucid in 1996 aboard Russia's now de-orbited Mir station. (NASA)

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SPACE TECHNOLOGY: JPL TAKES COMMAND OF FRENCH SATELLITE

The Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena California is now handling command sequences for a weather satellite the French launched in December. Over the next six months, data from Jason I will be dissected by JPL's team of scientists, who will study interactions of the world's oceans and atmosphere and observe events like El Nino.

Until now, Jason I has been under the guidance of the French Centre National d'Etudes Spatiales. With the handover, JPL will be responsible for sending command sequences to the spacecraft. The French agency will continue to perform navigation and engineering tasks. (NASA)

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INTERNATIONAL - U.K.: HAM RADIO HELPS CELEBRATE QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GOLDEN JUBILEE

On the international scene, Amateur Radio was front and center with a commemorative station near Windsor Castle when Britain's Queen Elizabeth celebrated her recent Golden Jubileee. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, reports from Nottingham in the U.K.:

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As of 1530UTC on Tuesday the 4th, GB50 had made in excess of 14,000 contacts, putting them within reach of meeting their own target of 20,000 QSOs during the operation. More importantly, over 2000 members of the public had visited the station and 'Amateur Radio Experience' exhibition by Tuesday afternoon, the majority learning about amateur radio and the Foundation Licence scheme for the first time.

Also on Tuesday, no fewer than 41 members of the public were able to send greetings messages from the GB50 station, giving them a real 'hands-on' experience of amateur radio.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH
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The GB50 station closed down operations at 21:00 UTC on Sunday, June 9th. (RSGB)

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INTERNATIONAL - SOUTH AFRICA: A LICENSING RECORD

South Africa has set a new licensing record. This as the results of that nations May 2002 Radio Amateur Examinations or R-A-E are announced. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, reports:

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Results of the May 2002 Radio Amateur Examinations are published in record time. The results of the RAE, held in South Africa, written 23 May, were announced on 30 May. Each candidate who passed the examination and had completed a license application form has also been issued with a callsign.

95 of the 113 candidates who wrote the examination were successful. The highest marks were achieved by Dr G A Keen of Cape Town, 100% in both the papers.

The youngest candidate to pass the class A examination is 15 year old Q D Du Preez of Durban who now boasts with the callsign ZR5QD. The oldest to pass, 72 year old C H Stevens of George who now boasts ZR1AWG.

From Q-News Australia, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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The South African licensing program is considered to be one of the most progressive to be found anywhere in the world. (Q-News, SARL)

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DX

In DX, G0TQJ, is currently in Afghanistan and operating portable Y-A. He reports he has openings to Europe on 10 meters around 13:00 UTC. Chris is using a Yaesu FT-890 transceiver running 100 watts to an 80 to 10 meter Windom antenna 50 feet high. He is active on SSB and RTTY. QSL to his home call. (GB2RS)

And OZ7SM will be active from Bornholm through June 16th. Most of the operation will be on SSB on all bands including 6 meters. Bornholm counts as EU-030 for the Islands on the Air awards program. (GB2RS)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: ITS AN ENIGMA NO MORE

And finally this week, we have reported before on Germany's World War Two top-secret Enigma spy machine. This was the message encoding device that gave Germany the ability to keep its military movements secret during much of the conflict. Now, it appears as if a British woman actually cracked a major component of the Enigma before World War Two began, but her supervisors dismissed her theory as too simple. Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, picks up the story:

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British newspapers have printed excerpts from the new publication titled "Action This Day." The book claims that discoveries made by a female codebreaker known only as "Mrs. BB" that could have opened the secrets of the encoding machine much earlier and shortened the war.

In the late 1930's the Enigma was dubbed the key to Germany's military communications system. Codebreakers including Alan Turing, the father of the modern computer, were trying in the late 1930s to break the Enigma cipher, but they could not work out how the keys of the Enigma machine were wired.

The book's editors, Michael Smith and Ralph Erskine, say that "Mrs BB" suggested the Germans wired the A key to the A rotor, B to B and so on through the alphabet. This theory dismissed as too simplistic, but was later proven to be correct.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles
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The full Enigma code was finally cracked by a team of thousands of men and women, including chess masters, civil servants and mathematics geniuses. (Published news reports)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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1028. Digital contacts on field day?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 14:03:50 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020616100350.05438.00000617@mb-ca.aol.com>
Source record: 4063

I was wondering if anyone could tell me if there is a monitor frequency for 2m packet contacts on field day? If not, how does one get digital contacts, short of coordinating them?

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1029. What's my ARRL section?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 14:15:36 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020616101536.02574.00000590@mb-fw.aol.com>
Source record: 4064

Can anyone tell me what my ARRL section is for field day? I assume it's SNJ (Southern New Jersey) because I am in FM29. Can anyone tell me how I can double check that?
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1030. Re: What's my ARRL section?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 14:59:46 UTC
From: DonB <7432D63DBB01D03A196B1EDD80E8@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <CJ1P8.270261$Oa1.23378045@bin8.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4065

At the risk of sounding argumentative, I'd think that the ARRL would have that info (http://www.arrl.org).

"VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message news:20020616101536.02574.00000590@mb-fw.aol.com...
> Can anyone tell me what my ARRL section is for field day? I assume it's SNJ
> (Southern New Jersey) because I am in FM29. Can anyone tell me how I can double
> check that?
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> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1031. Re: What's my ARRL section?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 16:35:25 UTC
From: Al Schwarz <ramtown@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <g73P8.20392$qL5.1174783@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 4066

This is where to go on the ARRL website:

http://www.arrl.org/sections/?sect=

I believe Beachwood is Ocean County; in which case you are SNJ.

73,

Al ND2K

"DonB" <7432D63DBB01D03A196B1EDD80E8@comcast.net
<7432D63DBB01D03A196B1EDD80E8@comcastt.net> wrote in message
news:CJ1P8.270261$Oa1.23378045@bin8.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com...
> At the risk of sounding argumentative, I'd think that the ARRL would have
> that info (http://www.arrl.org).
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> "VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message
> news:20020616101536.02574.00000590@mb-fw.aol.com...
> > Can anyone tell me what my ARRL section is for field day? I assume it's
> SNJ
> > (Southern New Jersey) because I am in FM29. Can anyone tell me how I can
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> > check that?
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> > 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> > Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> > http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
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1032. Re: What's my ARRL section?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 16:40:42 UTC
From: Web <WebFx27@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <mc3P8.20405$qL5.1177536@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 4068

Southern New Jersey check out their page
http://www.remote.arrl.org/sections/SNJ.html

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Web

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1033. Re: Digital contacts on field day?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 16:48:01 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <5j3P8.17309$Ok1.1199594@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4067

Try URL:
http://home.hccnet.nl/a.dogterom/Documents/FH2001/fh2001_04.PDF

And URL:
http://www.scit.wlv.ac.uk/vhfc/iaru.r1.tel.aviv/taaxf.html

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73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
I doubt, therefore I might be!

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"VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message
news:20020616100350.05438.00000617@mb-ca.aol.com...
> I was wondering if anyone could tell me if there is a monitor frequency
for 2m
> packet contacts on field day? If not, how does one get digital contacts,
short
> of coordinating them?
> =-
> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1034. Which to choose IC 746, 756.... Ft 920, Ts 570

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 17:51:05 UTC
From: Arek <arek@bbs.net.pl>
Message-ID: <3d0ccfc9_1@news.vogel.pl>
Source record: 4069
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I am about to buy a radio, but I haven't got any experience. However I am considering to buy one of the radioes mentioned in the subject. I don't know which radio is better so if you have some experience and can help me, please write. I am mostly working on HF and like it the most, so I don't care if the radio will have any other bands. I would like to which of them the best radio for HF is. I'll be pleased to get any kind advice. Thank you in advance.

1035. Re: Which to choose IC 746, 756.... Ft 920, Ts 570

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 18:06:13 UTC
From: Brian Short <bshort4@cox.net>
Message-ID: <MPG.1776e469cb20b0c989686@news.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4070
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I have used the IC-756 and the FT-920. In fact, I use an FT-920
for all of my contest operating activities. The current used prices
of the FT-920 make it an excellent choice (definitely less than $1000).

With the release of the IC-756ProII, the 756 has dropped in price and
at under $1500 it is a good buy, too.

Personally, I like my FT-920 to which I have added an Inrad CW filter.
If you need more flexibility in IF bandwidths (ie. both CW and SSB
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Unfortunately, the FT-920 fits only a single optional filter (either
CW or SSB). Inrad sells a modification kit to allow more than one,
but that entails more work and expense.

Have never tried the IC-746 or TS-570.

73, Brian

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to those of us who do.
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See my web page: http://www.k7on.com/
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1036. New to the upcoming Field Day

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-16 23:56:39 UTC
From: Dave <catx@pacbell.net>
Message-ID: <3D0D0A0C.A66C7E7A@pacbell.net>
Source record: 4071

Hi,

I have a AOR 1000XLT (portable) and a AOR 2500 (desktop) receivers. I heard about the upcoming Ham Radio Field Day and want to know how I might listen in on radio transmissions using these radios. Both radios cover 500KHz-1300MHz. The only drawback I can see is that the external antenna for the 2500 is an All ground plan antenna that is mounted in my house attic (2nd story). I thinks it's coverage is 30-1300 MHz.

Thanks for any and all help on this,

Dave
Sacramento, CA

1037. Re: Which to choose IC 746, 756.... Ft 920, Ts 570

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-17 01:51:46 UTC
From: No PC here <RAJohnGM@worldnet.att.net>
Message-ID: <SgbP8.40709$LC3.3085990@bgtnsc04-news.ops.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 4072
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

The FT-920 is the best choice. It's an excellent rig which provides the best
bang for the buck.
73, Bob
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news:MPG.1776e469cb20b0c989686@news.west.cox.net...
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> See my web page: http://www.k7on.com/
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1038. Re: What's my ARRL section?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-17 02:01:29 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0206161801.7f106ace@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4073

Thanks for the 2 who replied with helpful information. :) I now know
that I am officially in Southern New Jersey. ;)

1039. Re: Digital contacts on field day?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-17 02:04:23 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.com
Message-ID: <5e5fccab.0206161804.62d92b0f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4074

"AC6V" <ac6v@amsat.org> wrote in message
news:<5j3P8.17309$Ok1.1199594@news2.west.cox.net>...
> Try URL:
> http://home.hccnet.nl/a.dogterom/Documents/FH2001/fh2001_04.PDF
>
> And URL:
> http://www.scit.wlv.ac.uk/vhfc/iaru.r1.tel.aviv/taaxf.html
>
> --
> 73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA

Thanks for the reply. Unforunately the first link refers to PSK31 and
the second one is only a 2m band plan.

Are there any frequencies that are exclusively monitored for activity
on 2m packet during field day?

1040. Sale: Ham stuff

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-17 05:03:15 UTC
From: Albert Alvareztorres Jr <albert13@cox.net>
Message-ID: <n4eP8.45501$Hn4.1566717@news1.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4075

Complete Yaesu FT-101E station (I mean COMPLETE)

FT-225RD

FT-625RD

http://www.aa1do.com/zforsale.htm

1041. Re: New to the upcoming Field Day

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-17 09:06:04 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <0EhP8.2252$Ss3.541@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4076

Visit the ARRL website http://www.arrl.org and obtain the bands and
frequencies to tune to (if you do not know Morse code, then a look at the
band plans for the voice mode frequencies will be helpful also).

You might want to check around your area for the local Ham club(s) and find
out where their field day stations will be located. Visitors are always
welcome during field day operations, and it's more fun to participate than
to just listen.

<<< Dan >>>

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> house attic (2nd story). I thinks it's coverage is 30-1300 MHz.
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> Thanks for any and all help on this,
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> Dave
> Sacramento, CA
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1042. Hallicrafters SX 110 Manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-17 13:09:21 UTC
From: Bill Grimwood <bill@grimwood.net>
Message-ID: <OCpP8.5775$As4.3892@rip>
Source record: 4077

I need a copy of the operators manual. would someone be so kind as to copy yours and send it to me. I will be glad to pay you for your trouble.

Thanks

Bill Grimwood
K1WEG

1043. Help- Storage battery charging

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-18 00:30:54 UTC
From: Karl Juul <karljuul@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <2bvP8.23801$uk2.11491494@twister.nyroc.rr.com>
Source record: 4078

I'm attempting to run a Kenwood TS-440 from a deep-cycle lead-acid storage battery, and charging it with an automatic marine charger (Guest Model 2608)...the charger is only 6 amp but is fine for the duty cycle of my typical usage.

All is working fine, battery always up to charge between uses, etc.

Except for one problem: S9+20dB noise level on 80 meters, nearly as bad on 40, and less so on higher bands.
The noise ceases as soon as the charger is unplugged from the AC, so there is no doubt where the interference is coming from. The charger is a switching type, completely potted in epoxy, and has a notice in the owner's manual about it being an FCC Class A device under Part 15 and designed to provide reasonable protection against interference. I contacted Guest and they were not even slightly supportive.

I need another automatic charger, preferably a linear rather than switching type, or at least a quiet switching type.

Any suggestions?

thanks-

-Karl.

Karl Juul **someplace in upstate New York** KB2XG

1044. Re: Help- Storage battery charging

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-18 01:32:28 UTC
From: Karl Juul <karljuul@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <M4wP8.23927$uk2.11578924@twister.nyroc.rr.com>
Source record: 4079

"Karl Juul" <karljuul@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:2bvP8.23801$uk2.11491494@twister.nyroc.rr.com...

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> 40, and less so on higher bands.
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Some further information as a result of more testing...

The RFI does not seem to be radiated, but is rather on the 12vdc power lead coming from the battery to the transceiver. If I power the transceiver from another source, the noise ceases even though the charger is still plugged in and charging the battery...seems like an RF choke in the power lead going to the transceiver (or between the charger and the battery) might be a possibility.

Yes?

1045. Yaesu VX-7 Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-18 03:00:44 UTC
From: macgybl@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020617230044.02408.00001063@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 4080

I have a vx-7 and need to know if theres a way to operate dual VFO transmit and also put an odd split.. a very odd split like 4.320mhz... Any Help is greatly appreciated. Also anyone know when the software is commig out and if you can do it with that.. Ex. How can I transmit on 158.865 and recieve on 155.100

A.J. Tobia -KC2IJJ
Cedar Grove Ambulance and Rescue Squad
Jersey Coastal Emergency Services #97-01
Metro Fire Radio #192
Shadow Traffic
Firecomm

1046. Re: Which to choose IC 746, 756.... Ft 920, Ts 570

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-18 08:39:37 UTC
From: Tadej Archon - S57NDT <ted@email.si>
Message-ID: <3d0ef06b@news.perftech.si>
Source record: 4081
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi Arek, I have ic756 for about 4 years, I think FT-920 is a good buy, but ic756 is better!
of course few days ago we have tested an ic-746 and ft-920, for my ear is better the ic746 on the lowest signals, but there was mot so much difference.

You have another way: You can chose an oldest radio like ic-765, ts-940 for the same price.

"Arek" <arek@bbs.net.pl> je napisal v sporo&#65533;ilo
news:3d0ccfc9_1@news.vogel.pl ...
> I am about to buy a radio, but I haven't got any experience. However I am
> considering to buy one of the radioes mentioned in the subject. I don't
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1047. FS: BOGEN C35B 35 WATT PUBLIC ADDRESS AUDIO AMPLIFIER/MIXER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 03:51:22 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3d10ff94.432841983@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4084

Good cosmetic condition, and working fine, this Bogen 35 watt (RMS) PA audio amp/mixer features up to four inputs: two balanced low-Z mic inputs, one high-Z aux source, and input from a telephone line or one mic, two aux sources, and one telephone input. Front panel controls inlcude three input gain controls (mic, aux, tel), as well as treble and bass tonal adjustments. There is an input to provide mic precedence over the aux-2 input. Outputs are provided for 8 and 16 ohm balanced and 4 ohm unbalanced systems, and also 25 volt and 70 volt constant voltage systems. Output jacks let you patch in a tape recorder or booster amp, or feed 500/600 ohm telephone line when an accessory transformer is used. Mic inputs include RF filtering. The amplifier inlcudes a resettable thermostat in the power transformer to protect against heat build up and short circuited or overloaded connections. The PA can be rack mounted with mounting ears (not included), and measures 14.5"Wx3.75"Hx11"d and weighs 15 pounds. The PA has a switched AC accessory outlet on the rear panel. Includes copy of manual. Pictures and additional info available on request. $50 + shipping anywhere in continental USA.
Dan
K0DAN
remove NOSPAM from NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net

1048. FS: BOGEN C35B 35 WATT PUBLIC ADDRESS AUDIO AMPLIFIER/MIXER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 03:53:53 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3d140033.433001393@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4085

FS: BOGEN C35B 35 WATT PUBLIC ADDRESS AUDIO AMPLIFIER/MIXER
Good cosmetic condition, and working fine, this Bogen 35 watt (RMS) PA audio amp/mixer features up to four inputs: two balanced low-Z mic inputs, one high-Z aux source, and input from a telephone line or one mic, two aux sources, and one telephone input. Front panel controls inlcude three input gain controls (mic, aux, tel), as well as treble and bass tonal adjustments. There is an input to provide mic precedence over the aux-2 input. Outputs are provided for 8 and 16 ohm balanced and 4 ohm unbalanced systems, and also 25 volt and 70 volt constant voltage systems. Output jacks let you patch in a tape recorder or booster amp, or feed 500/600 ohm telephone line when an accessory transformer is used. Mic inputs include RF filtering. The amplifier inlcudes a resettable thermostat in the power transformer to protect against heat build up and short circuited or overloaded connections. The PA can be rack mounted with mounting ears (not included), and measures 14.5"Wx3.75"Hx11"d and weighs 15 pounds. The PA has a switched AC accessory outlet on the rear panel. Includes copy of manual. Pictures and additional info available on request. $50 + shipping anywhere in continental USA.
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1049. f.s. dx 160 with optional speaker mint 150US includes shipping

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 04:03:31 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <PTIP8.78275$Yt.3008019@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4082

for sale

in mint condition,
highend receiver
realistic dx 160
with optional speaker

150.00US includes shipping

thanks
oakvillecub@yahoo.ca

1050. f.s. yaseu highend receiver frg9600 with video card 325.00US shipped

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 04:04:45 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <EUIP8.78276$Yt.3008256@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4083

for sale:

in mint condition with optional video card
yaseu frg 9600

with service manual and powersupply

325.00US includes shipping

thanks
oakvillecub@yahoo.ca

1051. FRS radios legal in Turkey,Greece & Egypt??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 07:08:08 UTC
From: Architect <janeswchan@home.com>
Message-ID: <s5WP8.34612$Lf2.2834368@news2.calgary.shaw.ca>
Source record: 4086

Hi,
I know this question may sound naive to be asked here, but I'm not sure which newsgroup will have the expertise other than this one!!

Are the hand held two way Motorola FRS radios legal in Turkey,Greece & Egypt?? We are traveling in a small group and would like to stay in touch with each other using such device in case we get lost...

Thanks
Jane

1052. Yaseau FT 100 vr. Icom 706IIG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 16:06:00 UTC
From: Bill Grimwood <bill@grimwood.net>
Message-ID: <ro6Q8.2574$ru.1764@rip>
Source record: 4087

I want to buy a mobile radio with HF and 2 meters. which one of these radios should I buy?

Thanks

Bill Grimwood

1053. Riley strikes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 22:08:21 UTC
From: n9llo@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020619180821.08330.00003164@mb-cd.aol.com>
Source record: 4088

The nations top ham radio cop is putting the Amateur Radio Community on notice. He says that you must use your full callsign -- not just phonetics to identify your station. And in his weekly audio column on RAINREPORT.COM, FCC Special Counsel for Enforcement, Riley Hollingsworth says that there is a proper way to identify and the FCC expects everyone to abide by the rules:

"We have been getting some questions, and I think you have too about identifying with phonetics. Now I just wanted to point out that phonetics are to assist the intended operator in understanding the callsign. They are not a substitute for identifying. The identification rule is very simple, and requires that the callsign be used in English. But now phonetics are not callsigns, they are just facilitators. And it is particularly disturbing to hear signals that are 30 and 40 over and the operator is using phonetics that are repeated. Or only phonetics." Hollingsworth

Hollingsworth says that not only does identifying only with phonetics not comply with the Amateur Service Rules, but excessive use of phonetics is entirely unnecessary.

1054. Re: Yaseau FT 100 vr. Icom 706IIG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 22:15:08 UTC
From: W6DKN <w6dkn@qsl.net>
Message-ID: <Mn7Q8.64929$uX3.31138@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4089

http://groups.google.com/groups?as_q=100+706&num=100&as_scoring=r&hl=en&btnG=Google+Search&as_epq=&as_oq=&as_eq=&as_ugroup=rec.*&as_usubject=&as_uauthors=&as_umsgid=&lr=lang_en&as_drrb=q&as_qdr=&as_mind=12&as_minm=5&as_miny=1981&as_maxd=19&as_maxm=6&as_maxy=2002

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> Thanks
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> Bill Grimwood
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1055. Re: Riley strikes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 22:57:55 UTC
From: DonB <7432D63DBB01D03A196B1EDD80E8@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <T%7Q8.31765$_j6.1784051@bin3.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4090

Time warp! Or are you just really behind on your reading? This was argued, debated and micro-analyzed two years ago.

1056. Re: Riley strikes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-19 23:08:54 UTC
From: n9llo@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020619190854.08337.00002806@mb-cd.aol.com>
Source record: 4091

Just a reminder, sometimes people forget.
Now if we could only get rid of talking repeaters :)

1057. FA: TECHNICAL MANUAL FOR TRI-EX TOWER:

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-20 04:44:17 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3d145d8c.46487986@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4092

TECHNICAL MANUAL FOR TRI-EX LM-470D MOTORIZED CRANK-UP TOWER:
Complete installation, operation, and maintenance instructions for the
TRI-EX TOWER CORPORATION LM-470D tower (a 72' extended, 22' retracted,
heavy duty self-supporting tower).

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1361388502

1058. Re: Riley strikes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-20 10:15:52 UTC
From: NS9G <ns9g@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <rXhQ8.107156$6m5.96380@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 4093

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news:20020619180821.08330.00003164@mb-cd.aol.com...
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> Hollingsworth says that not only does identifying
> only with phonetics not comply with the Amateur
> Service Rules, but excessive use of phonetics is
> entirely unnecessary.

Go Riley Go!
--
73 de Bob NS9G

1059. Repeaters In winter park/Orlando FL area

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-20 14:56:51 UTC
From: macgybl@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020620105651.02240.00001798@mb-ch.aol.com>
Source record: 4094

anyone know of any good repeaters in orlando/winter park area?

1060. any fans of OTR here?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-20 16:40:54 UTC
From: caheaton@my-deja.com
Message-ID: <d0372cf9.0206200840.6b027b83@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4095

Hello...I'm thinking of starting an informal net to discuss OTR (oldtime radio)(particularly the CBS Radio Mystery Theater). How many fans of OTR (who are licensed ham radio ops) would like to participate? What frequencies would you prefer? (I'm leaning towards 20 meters or 17 meters). What days of the week and time would work out best for you? (I'm leaning towards Wednesday evening EST.) Please let me know if you would like to participate in such an activity.Non licenesed SWL's are welcome to listen in.
Craig KB8FGC
caheaton@netzero.net

1061. live police dept. broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-20 17:37:27 UTC
From: rng-1187@webtv.net
Message-ID: <18951-3D1212D7-208@storefull-2297.public.lawson.webtv.net>
Source record: 4096

any site on the internet to download live police broadcasts of any major dept. ----New York, Boston, Los Angeles,etc.
Thanks in advance for any replies.

1062. Enlightenment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-22 03:32:48 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020621233248.01582.00000059@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 4097

Never try to impart wisdom on the humble.

Most likely, the person is stubborn and wants to stay in their lowly state.
-If you fail in imparting wisdom, the person will bring you down to the person's level and you will expend so much wasted effort, which could have been much better spent elsewhere.
-If you succeed, the person will decide the person is suddenly better than you and that you are no longer needed and will abandon you.

The third (and desired) possibility, that the person will gain wisdom and appreciate it, is also the least likely outcome and is so unlikely as to be not worth pursuing.

1063. DV forum slides and audio on Web

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-22 09:11:17 UTC
From: dsmith@doug-smith.net
Message-ID: <28486003.0206220111.14317d91@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4098

Slides and audio from the Digital Voice Forum at Dayton 2002 are available on the Web. Visit www.tapr.org/tapr/dv/index.html to check it out.

1064. Re: Enlightenment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-22 23:09:50 UTC
From: "Alan (Ursus Major)" <ursus@walkington.org>
Message-ID: <2t7R8.200878$Y8.1927219@news.easynews.com>
Source record: 4099

So ... Which outcome were you anticipating with this post?

Alan - ab0nu

"Vshah101" <vshah101@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020621233248.01582.00000059@mb-cv.aol.com...
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state.
> -If you fail in imparting wisdom, the person will bring you down to the
> person's level and you will expend so much wasted effort, which could have
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> much better spent elsewhere.
> -If you succeed, the person will decide the person is suddenly better than
you
> and that you are no longer needed and will abandon you.
>
> The third (and desired) possibility, that the person will gain wisdom and
> appreciate it, is also the least likely outcome and is so unlikely as to
be not
> worth pursuing.
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1065. XMIT MOD FOR YAESU FT1000MP MARK-V FIELD

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-22 23:30:55 UTC
From: Lou R <vhf@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <oP7R8.79032$Yt.3128636@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4000

IM LOOKING FOR THE GEN XMIT MOD FOR THE FIELD VERSION OF THE MARK-V

THE MENU 9 DOES NOT WORK ON THE FIELD..

THANKS

LOU
VA3PGS

1066. Seems ok for the Canadian govt to use jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-22 23:45:58 UTC
From: A User <serge@spamcop.net>
Message-ID: <6v2ahuk8nr8h950smhbo1eo8lsgbdril25@4ax.com>
Source record: 4001
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

http://www.theglobeandmail.com/servlet/ArticleNews/printarticle/gam/20020621/UJAMMNSB2

1067. Re: Seems ok for the Canadian govt to use jammers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-23 06:55:43 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <PheR8.36776$mh.1430835@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4002
Cross-posted to: aus.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

It sounds good and I am all for it. I would also like to see the jammers used to jam the dial a drug cell phone users and in all restaurants and theaters. I do wonder how far they will take it? IE jamming 2 meters and the drug traffickers using HF to coadunate drug shipments from South America.

"A User" <serge@spamcop.net> wrote in message news:6v2ahuk8nr8h950smhbo1eo8lsgbdril25@4ax.com...
>
http://www.theglobeandmail.com/servlet/ArticleNews/printarticle/gam/20020621/UJAMMNSB2

1068. Re: Yaseau FT 100 vr. Icom 706IIG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-23 07:18:17 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <ZCeR8.37029$mh.1432907@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 4003

I have asked this question before and it seems that the Yeasu 100 just barley beats the 706. If you are using polarized sunglasses you have trouble reading the screen on the 706, (I don't know if they fixed that yet). The other big deciding factor in favor of the 100 is the ATAS 100 antenna that is self tunable from 7.000 MHz to up past 440 MHz and the only thing that Icom has is a steel whip and an antenna tuner up to 6 meters. If you don't have the space to grow an antenna farm and you don't want to have to get out of the car to change bands then the 100 is the way to go.

"Bill Grimwood" <bill@grimwood.net> wrote in message news:ro6Q8.2574$ru.1764@rip...
> I want to buy a mobile radio with HF and 2 meters. which one of these
> radios should I buy?
>
> Thanks
>
> Bill Grimwood
>
>

1069. Re: Riley strikes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-23 15:48:19 UTC
From: Ed Juge/NM <ed@juge.org>
Message-ID: <3d15ef72.0@oracle.zianet.com>
Source record: 4004

If my memory serves, I believe Riley later recanted this statement saying the rules do, indeed, provide for giving your call phonetically. I'm sure 50 people will correct me if I'm wrong.

My callsign, W5EJ is almost always misinterpreted as DJ or CJ if I don't use phonetics.

Ed, W5EJ

"Chris" <n9llo@aol.com> wrote in message news:20020619180821.08330.00003164@mb-cd.aol.com...
> The nations top ham radio cop is putting the Amateur
> Radio Community on notice. He says that you must use
> your full callsign -- not just phonetics to identify
> your station. And in his weekly audio column on
> RAINREPORT.COM, FCC Special Counsel for Enforcement,
> Riley Hollingsworth says that there is a proper way
> to identify and the FCC expects everyone to abide by
> the rules:
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>
> "We have been getting some questions, and I think
> you have too about identifying with phonetics. Now
> I just wanted to point out that phonetics are to
> assist the intended operator in understanding the
> callsign. They are not a substitute for
> identifying. The identification rule is very simple,
> and requires that the callsign be used in English.
> But now phonetics are not callsigns, they are just
> facilitators. And it is particularly disturbing to
> hear signals that are 30 and 40 over and the
> operator is using phonetics that are repeated. Or
> only phonetics." Hollingsworth
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> Hollingsworth says that not only does identifying
> only with phonetics not comply with the Amateur
> Service Rules, but excessive use of phonetics is
> entirely unnecessary.
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1070. Re: Riley strikes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-23 18:18:52 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3d160d40.8689284@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 4005

On Sun, 23 Jun 2002 09:48:19 -0600, "Ed Juge/NM" <ed@juge.org> wrote:

>If my memory serves, I believe Riley later recanted this statement saying
>the rules do, indeed, provide for giving your call phonetically. I'm sure
>50 people will correct me if I'm wrong.
>
>My callsign, W5EJ is almost always misinterpreted as DJ or CJ if I don't use
>phonetics.
>
>Ed, W5EJ
>
Mine ends with ZCE, and I have to go phonetic to get it across
clearly.

The phonetics, especially if you stick to the standard ones, are a
tool to clearly communicate letters.

To quote Part 97:

§97.119 Station identification.
(a) Each amateur station, except a space station or telecommand station, must transmit its assigned call sign on its transmitting channel at the end of each communication, and at least every ten minutes during a communication, for the purpose of clearly making the source of the transmissions from the station known to those receiving the transmissions. No station may transmit unidentified communications or signals, or transmit as the station call sign, any call sign not authorized to the station.

(b) The call sign must be transmitted with an emission authorized for
the transmitting channel in one of the following ways:

(2) By a phone emission in the English language. Use of a standard
phonetic alphabet as an aid for correct station identification is
encouraged;

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My interpretation from that would be that using a standard phonetic
for your call sign is perfectly fine.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1071. Re: Riley strikes

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-23 19:43:32 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020623154332.15078.00000565@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4006

>Mine ends with ZCE, and I have to go phonetic to get it across
>clearly.

How about my old one - KF4KHC. Say that three times fast! :)

When calling on SSB, I usually give my call phonetically, then standard
letters, if there's a chance that someone have have difficulty copying me.
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1072. FS/FT: AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU and fan

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-23 19:56:04 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020623155604.15078.00000570@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4007

I have a BRAND NEW AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU with fan that I would like to sell for best offer or trade for ham equipment. Not sure what I need, but let me know what you have. I might be interested in a D-104 microphone to hook up to my 2m all mode. I bought this CPU/Fan combo to replace one in my old computer, but then decided to upgrade the motherboard, so I don't need the CPU/fan. Please EMAIL any replies. Thanks!
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1073. Re: live police dept. broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-23 21:15:18 UTC
From: RodeoKing <RidingTheBulls@TheOKCoral.com>
Message-ID: <GTqR8.455054$t8_.230130@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 4008

Try, http://groups.yahoo.com/group/LiveScannerAudio or
http://livescanneraudio.webhop.org

"gunnysack" <rng-1187@webtv.net> wrote in message
news:18951-3D1212D7-208@storefull-2297.public.lawson.webtv.net...
> any site on the internet to download live police broadcasts of any major
> dept. ----New York, Boston, Los Angeles,etc.
> Thanks in advance for any replies.
>

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
Version: 6.0.371 / Virus Database: 206 - Release Date: 6/13/2002

1074. Re: Need an Internaet Service Provider

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-24 02:55:13 UTC
From: Blarg <blarg@spamcop.net>
Message-ID: <r6vchuc0qao2nn7878l9b1sc9iuubfecif@4ax.com>
Source record: 4009
Cross-posted to: alt.rhode_island,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital

On Sun, 23 Jun 2002 22:33:00 GMT, pla <pla@tmok.com> wrote:

>> It's all in the antenna. Note also that getting 10-15 miles requires a
>> very directional one (or a lot of height). Generally speaking, the FCC
>> requirements are more about maximum power used in your transmitter than
>> the antenna (unless you live near the flight path of an airport).
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>a good website that explains FCC part 15.247, which covers 802.11:
>
>http://www.lns.com/papers/FCCPart15_and_the_ISM_2.4G_Band.index
>
>basically, it limits output to 4 watts ERP, with some leeway
>(3db directional gain for every 1db drop in... something (ERP?
>total transmitter power? not quite sure)).
>
>a more interesting possible (legal) abuse of FCC regulations
>comes from part 17, covering amateur radio... basically, as
>long as it "broadcasts" its station ID every few minutes (open
>to interpretation for this use), it can have an ERP up to 100
>watts... and as a nice surprise, the frequency range of 802.11b
>just happens to satisfy part 17 (minus 50mhz, which doesn't
>present much of a problem since most 802.11b stations have
>adjustible frequency ranges to comply with slightly different
>regulations in various countries). don't know how kindly
>the FCC would look on this, but technically they allow it.

47CFR15.321 is pretty interesting.

Part 97 relates to Amateur devices and specifically 47CFR97.113 expresses
prohibited transmissions.

CFR 47 Part 97.113 a 5 states that "Communications, on a regular basis, which
could reasonably be furnished alternatively through other radio services." is
expressly prohibited.

This could be interpreted as voice communications only, which was more than
likely put in place to keep people from using the Amateur radio frequencies in
lieu of a telephone over a long period of time.

As for digital transmission, you've got Part 97.309(a) (available at
http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/get-cfr.cgi?TITLE=47&PART=97&SECTION=309&YEAR=2001
&TYPE=TEXT
) stating the following:

"(b) Where authorized by Secs. 97.305(c) and 97.307(f) of this part,
a station may transmit a RTTY or data emission using an unspecified
digital code, except to a station in a country with which the United
States does not have an agreement permitting the code to be used. RTTY
and data emissions using unspecified digital codes must not be
transmitted for the purpose of obscuring the meaning of any
communication. When deemed necessary by an EIC to assure compliance with
the FCC Rules, a station must:
(1) Cease the transmission using the unspecified digital code;
(2) Restrict transmissions of any digital code to the extent
instructed;
(3) Maintain a record, convertible to the original information, of
all digital communications transmitted."

See:
http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/get-cfr.cgi?TITLE=47&PART=97&SECTION=305&YEAR=2001
&TYPE=TEXT
and
http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/get-cfr.cgi?TITLE=47&PART=97&SECTION=307&YEAR=2001
&TYPE=TEXT
for more information regarding 97.305 and 97.307.

It states that at 13cm (2.300 GHz and 2.310GHz and, IIGIR, 2.390GHz and 2.450
GHz) the following emissions are allowed:

(7) A RTTY, data or multiplexed emission using a specified digital
code listed in Sec. 97.309(a) of this part or an unspecified digital
code under the limitations listed in Sec. 97.309(b) of this part may be
transmitted.
(8) A RTTY or data emission having designators with A, B, C, D, E,
F, G, H, J or R as the first symbol; 1, 2, 7 or 9 as the second symbol;
and D or W as the third symbol is also authorized.
(12) Emission F8E may be transmitted.

Please excuse the link lengths - some of you may have to copy and paste a
couple lines into the address bar in order for the link to work correctly.

AND

Then comes the whole discussion about what can and can not be transferred in
that spectrum and if the data is considered commercial, obscene, etc.

Plus I want to know who would log all the information on a eminating from
modified 802.11 devices.

...what does the FCC say about spread spectrum / frequency hopping devices on
the amateur band? And 802.11b takes, what, 83.5MHz of possible bandwidth (with
all of its frequency hopping for noise rejection)?

One's mind wanders at the thought!

Not a small task to make a high-speed amateur-band transmission standard
which a) would take up a narrow enough of a band to be acceptable, b) transmit
enough data to make it feasible, and c) comply with the noncommercial

guidelines of typical amateur transmissions.

Food for thought:

http://epix.hazard.net/vemis/tcpip.htm
http://www.symek.com/g/trx.html -- This one talks about a 153Kbps pipe over amateur bands with 75KHz deviation. That's more like it.

Spread spectrum over amateur at high speeds? I don't know...

What do you people think??

Cheers,

Blarg

Give me ambiguity or give me something else.

1075. Need help with antenna tuning

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-24 06:03:18 UTC
From: Joe <pester_joe@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <GCyR8.53031$EP.5391@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 4010

Hi,

Is there any way to tune an antenna without having to transmit RF? I understand how a dummy load can be used to adjust a transmitter. One of my friends suggested tuning while receiving to maximize volume. That seems to work for ballparking the capacitor settings, but doesn't help with inductor settings. Would putting a switched antenna analyzer between the transceiver, and the tuner work? Transceiver->A/Bswitch A transceiver to tuner, B analyzer to tuner. Some others have told me to use a dummy load, but I don't understand how a load that is resistivie only could be used for antenna tuning. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

KB9ZXO/AG

1076. QSL Cards?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-24 13:51:21 UTC
From: Tom Hendricks <"tomh\\@comcas(no)(spam)t.net>">
Message-ID: <ttFR8.419307$Oa1.29806663@bin8.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 4011

My son has received his first QSL card, and I would like to produce a return QSL cheaply on my computer for him. I measured the card received as 3.5 by 5.5 inches. Is this the "standard" size for QSL cards, or do they vary?

Post card stock for the computer can be readily obtained as 4 by 6 or 4.25 by 5.5 inches. I'd like to think I could send 4.25 by 5 inches and it would be acceptible.

Does anyone know?

Thanks!

-Tom-

1077. FA: TECHNICAL MANUAL FOR TRI-EX TOWER:

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-24 14:31:31 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3d1b2d45.32607176@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4012

TECHNICAL MANUAL FOR TRI-EX LM-470D MOTORIZED CRANK-UP TOWER:
Complete installation, operation, and maintenance instructions for the
TRI-EX TOWER CORPORATION LM-470D tower (a 72' extended, 22' retracted,
heavy duty self-supporting tower).

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1361388502

1078. Re: QSL Cards?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-24 16:48:08 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020624124808.15066.00000840@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 4013

Check out http://www.hfradio.org/wb8rcr/ for a good QSL program. The exact size isn't important.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1079. Emergency Declaration 40/75 meters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-24 23:16:33 UTC
From: Ham Bulletin <no_sp@m.xxx>
Message-ID: <3D17A85C.2C896980@m.xxx>
Source record: 4014

> ZCZC AG38
> QST de W1AW
> ARRL Bulletin 38 ARLB038
> >From ARRL Headquarters
> Newington CT June 24, 2002
> To all radio amateurs
>
> SB QST ARL ARLB038
> ARLB038 General Communications Emergency Declaration
>
> On June 24, 2002, under the authority of Section 97.401 of
the
> Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations
[47 C.F.R.
> Part 97] a General Communications Emergency is declared to
exist in
> Arizona requiring the protection of amateur emergency
communication
> frequencies.
>
> Amateurs are required to refrain from using 7265 kHz
(daytime), and
> 3990 kHz (night time) plus or minus 3 kHz unless they are
taking
> part in the handling of emergency traffic. This order is
effective
> immediately until rescinded but may be as long as 14 days.

>
> Arlan K Van Doorn, Senior Advisor for Public Safety
Enforcement
> Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC.

>
> W1AW will discontinue its 3990 kHz phone bulletin,
transmitted daily
> at 0145z, until the declaration is rescinded.
> NNNN
> /EX

1080. oldtime radio nets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-25 04:31:32 UTC
From: caheaton@my-deja.com
Message-ID: <d0372cf9.0206242031.6cef6e0d@posting.google.com>
Source record: 4015

Hello...I'm interested in starting a net (on the radio...not on the internet) that would discuss oldtime radio drama. Does anybody here know if such a net exists? I've done some searching but so far nothing. Would anybody here be interested in participating in such a net?
Craig KB8FGC
caheaton@netzero.net
http://www.angelfire.com/oh5/caheaton

1081. Kenwood TS-820S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-25 15:06:09 UTC
From: gracefulhab@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020625110609.08973.00000851@mb-fa.aol.com>
Source record: 4016

I need some info about repairing one of these. It will receive great but when I try to transmit it doesnt put anything out. All help is appreciated.

KG4PUW

1082. Re: oldtime radio nets

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-25 19:10:53 UTC
From: restamp@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <1f3S8.93884$Am4.25626401@twister.columbus.rr.com>
Source record: 4017

In article <d0372cf9.0206242031.6cef6e0d@posting.google.com>,
Craig KB8FGC <caheaton@my-deja.com> wrote:
>Hello...I'm interested in starting a net (on the radio...not on the
>internet) that would discuss oldtime radio drama. Does anybody here
>know if such a net exists? I've done some searching but so far
>nothing. Would anybody here be interested in participating in such a
>net?

I've run across a net before on 7.238 Mhz Sunday mornings at 1300Z,
but I haven't checked recently to see if it is still active. It is
ORCATS -- Old Time Radio Programs on Tape -- net controlled by W9ZMR.
<http://www.w9zmr.com>. Maybe it will be what you're looking for.

Rob Stampfli
Kd8WK

1083. Attenuator Design Program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-25 20:01:35 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <afai6vjlc8@venus.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4018

New program PADMATCH.exe

For given source and load resistances this program designs T, Pi and L resistive matching pads and attenuators. It has the same facilities as program MatchPad (which it replaces) but with an extra facility to insert preferred-value resistors from the various standard tolerance ranges. The design procedure is used in reverse to predict the in-circuit attenuation (dB).

First calculate the ideal resistor values of a network. Then replace them one-by-one with the nearest preferred values and the changed attenuation will be automatically calculated.

Download program PADMATCH from website below.

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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
Free Radio Modelling Software
Go to http://www.g4fgq.com
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1084. Where to find surplus military boards?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-26 01:03:36 UTC
From: Brendan <norm21c@kua.net>
Message-ID: <afb43tgph1@news.utelfla.com>
Source record: 4019

Hi all! I need hard to find obsolete items (germanium transistors) and am told surplux military boards from the 60's are a good place to look. Well can anynoe please give me a clue where i could find these things?

Thanks,
Clueless in Seattle

1085. Re: Where to find surplus military boards?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-26 16:48:36 UTC
From: Gerry Cechony <noway@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <EfmS8.11428$bt.2@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4020

Try poking around on www.herbachandrademan.com

Hey guys-- it's a fun place for hams to poke around.

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Regards,
Gerry
g[underscore]cechony [at] hotmail [period] com

"Brendan" <norm21c@kua.net> wrote in message
news:afb43tgph1@news.utelfla.com...
> Hi all! I need hard to find obsolete items (germanium transistors) and am
> told surplux military boards from the 60's are a good place to look.
Well
> can anynoe please give me a clue where i could find these things?
>
> Thanks,
> Clueless in Seattle
>
>

1086. Ham Radio/Hurricane Info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-27 05:26:09 UTC
From: Radio_SPAM@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3d1aa189.848580@news.east.cox.net>
Source record: 4021

For those interested, there is an interesting of Amateur Operations at the National Hurricane Center and the Hurricane Watch Net. If you have not had chance to listen to the interview on the R.A.I.N. Report, let me suggest that you invest a few minutes and make yourself aware of that information. The season is fast approaching.

The URL is:

http://www.rainreport.com/

The navigation by which to hear the report is a little confusing. There is a feature article, called "RAIN Feature Story" on the main page of the site. However, to hear the recorded interview, you must go to the top, left hand side of the page. Under the title "Program Choices" is a selection titled "Present Rain Report." By choosing between a Windows Media Link or RealAudio link brings up the interview in the format of your choice.

The interview will only be available to be heard for only a few more days.

Chuck Rippel
Member of the Hurricane Watch Net

1087. Wanted: FT-101 mic gain knob

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-28 00:25:18 UTC
From: Robert M <rsmyers@rogers.com>
Message-ID: <3D1BACEE.E1A3DF26@rogers.com>
Source record: 4022

I have an FT-101F that is only missing the "mic gain" knob. I would like to get a very good looking replacement. Does anyone have one for sale?

Thanks,
--- Rob

1088. ARNewsline 1297 - June 21 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-28 07:49:32 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020628034932.25998.00002396@mb-mq.aol.com>
Source record: 4023

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1296 with a release date of Friday, June 21st 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Hams down-under face tough new human exposure to R-F regulations and the FCC creates a new Spectrum Policy Taskforce. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1297 coming your way right now.

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REGULATORY: VK HAMS FACE NEW MANDATORY RF EXPOSURE LIMITS

Hams in Australia are about to face some of the toughest electromagnetic exposure regulation found anywhere in the world. The idea is to protect people from R-F. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the details:

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All Australian radio amateurs will be required to know about new Electromagnetic Radiation or EMR controls which are expected to be included in amateur station license conditions from 1 July, 2002. Compliance Level 1 applies to transmitters that are covered by either of these conditions:

(a) The total average power fed to all antennas at the site must not exceed 100 watts and antennas must be out of reach.

(b) The bottom of the lowest antenna must be at least 10 meters above ground and the average EIRP does not exceed 3200 watts.

Compliance Level 2 requires measurements and documented proof of compliance, applies to all other transmitters.

EMR in licence conditions It is proposed that the new regulatory framework, to be reflected in the Licence Condition Determinations -- LCDs -- for the Amateur Service and to all apparatus license will begin on 1 July, 2002. That means that amateur stations operated under new amateur license issued on or after that date, must comply with the framework.

From Q-News Australia, Im Graham Kemp. VK4BB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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And what about current Australian licensees? They will have until October 1st to bring their stations into compliance with the new R-F exposure rules. (Q-News)

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REGULATORY: FCC INVITES COMMENTS ON NEW HAM BAND PROPOSAL

Back on this side of the Pacific our FCC is seeking public comments on a proposal to create two new amateur bands and to upgrade the Amateur Service to that of primary user in the vicinity of 2.4 GHz. An ARRL Bulletin says that if the proposal is approved, amateurs would gain a new, secondary, US-only High Frequency allocation at 5.25 to 5.40 MHz and a new Low Frequency spectral parcel from 135.7 to 137.8 kHz.

The 5 MHz band would be the first new HF allocation since the early 1980s, when amateurs got 30, 17 and 12 meters. The Low Frequency band would be the first ever for US hams. And most important for the long-term future of ham radio U-H-F exploration, the proposal will also elevate Amateur Radio from secondary to primary status in the 2400 to 2402 MHz band.

All of this is contained in a Notice of Proposed Rule Making titled ET Docket 02-98 adopted May 2nd by the FCC. Comments are due July 29, and reply comments are due no later than August 12th. Interested parties can file using the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System. That U-R-L is http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html . Click on ''Search for Filed Comments'' and enter ''02-98'' in the ''Proceeding'' field. (ARRL)

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REGULATORY: FCC CREATES SPECTRUM POLICY TASK FORCE

Ham radio is not the only area where the FCC has been active in looking at spectrum usage. In fact the agency has announced the creation of a Spectrum Policy Task Force or S.P.T.F. to tackle the problems arising from an increasing demand for spectrum.

The task force is headed by Dr. Paul Kolodzy. Dr. Kolodzy is the Senior Spectrum Policy Advisor for the FCCs Office of Engineering and Technology.

The rest of the committee will be made up of attorneys, economists and even engineers. Its not known whether or not a representative of Amateur Radio or any other personal radio service such as FRS, CB or the new Multi-Use Radio Service will be invited on.

You can find out the complete at
http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-223142A1.doc (FCC)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Catalina Amateur Radio Association repeater serving the Pacific coastline of Southern California.

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REGULATORY: WRC 2003 IS ON AGAIN

The on again and off again 2003 World Radiocommunications conference appears to be on again. According to news reports, the conference which was canceled by Venezuelas telecommunications bureau has been moved to Geneva Switzerland. The dates are the same -- July and August of 2003. The future of mandatory Morse code testing in the Amateur Radio Service is one of the items on the agenda for that meeting. (Published reports)

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REGULATORY: FCC SAYS NO TO MANDATORY EMP STANDARDS

The FCC has dismissed a petition for rule making that would have required all electronic equipment under its jurisdiction to be shielded against electromagnetic pulse or E-M-P damage. Amateur Radio Newslines Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has more:

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The petition, filed last fall by Don Schellhardt and Nickolas Leggett, N3NL was put on public notice in December and designated as RM-10330. According to the ARRL Letter the proposals would have applied to both new and existing equipment falling within the FCCs purview. And yes: It would have included some Amateur Radio equipment.

Schellhardt is a Connecticut attorney. Leggett is a Washington, D.C. technical consultant. In 1986 the two filed a similar petition with the FCC seeking a Notice of Inquiry on possible shielding of electronics against EMP. They say the September 11th terrorist attacks motivated them to approach the FCC on the topic once again. Once again, the FCC did not agree.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.
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The ARRL did not comment on the proposal but fourteen others did. And they were almost unanimous in asking that the petition be dismissed. (ARRL)

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REGULATORY: FCC-NCVEC MEETING AGENDA ANNOUNCED

The National Conference of Volunteer Examination Coordinators has released the agenda for its annual meeting with the FCC. Among the topics to be discussed are the effect of restructuring on Amateur Radio testing, a report on the status of testing in sparsely populated areas and the status of regulatory and enforcement matters. The gathering is slated for Friday, July 26th in Gettysburg Pennsylvania. (NCVEC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FINE ISSUED TO BROADCASTER FOR ALLEGED LANGUAGE VIOLATION

The FCC has issued a notice of forfeiture to Infinity Broadcasting Incorporated in the amount of $21,000. The agency says that it is imposing the fine after it concluded that Infinity is apparently liable for the penalty for willfully and repeatedly broadcasting indecent language on three occasions. Infinity is expected to appeal the forfeiture order. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FLIPPO IS TRIED IN WEST PALM BEACH

A non-ham who allegedly jammed ham radio communications has been convicted in West Palm Beach Florida on charges of operating a radio transmitter without a license. We have this report.

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A federal jury in Florida took less than two hours to convict a Jupiter Farms man of broadcasting without a license and maliciously jamming ham radio operations in northern Palm Beach County. According to the Palm Beach Post, 60 year old William Flippo sat with head bowed and eyes closed as court deputy James Caldwell read out eight counts of "guilty."

But getting to this verdict took years of investigation by local hams and the FCC along with a trial that lasted 6 1/2 days. It was described by the newspaper as an often bizarre trial that included testimony about mysterious jamming devices found in trees, strange events going back to Hurricane Andrew and a forged letter that surfaced at the last minute.

Flippos conviction caps years of conflict between him and the Jupiter-Tequesta Repeater Group. This is a 70-member Amateur Radio club whose members claimed that Flippo had jammed their transmissions and had made threats against them.

So club members complained to the Federal Communications Commission. An FCC Engineer involved in the investigation testified that he had tracked the interference to Flippo's home and two of his vehicles. Club members said that the interference stopped when Flippo was arrested in July 2000.

By way of defense, Flippo maintained that most of the radio equipment found in his home, in three of his vehicles and filling a 24-by-24-foot building behind

his house belonged to other people. He also asserted that some of it was given to him by Palm Beach County for emergency use after Hurricane Andrew in 1992 and other gear was part of a vintage radio collection.

Flippo also claimed to have a letter, written in 1994 by the emergency coordinator for amateur radio operators in Palm Beach County, authorizing him to test his emergency equipment daily. But the alleged author of the letter, Charles Mulligan, testified that it was a forgery. Mulligan believed it was created from a 1992 letter to Flippo dealing with events surrounding Hurricane Andrew.

And this is where it got even stranger. Halfway through the trial, U.S. District Judge Daniel Hurley took the extraordinary step of revoking Flippos bail. This, even though the charges were all misdemeanors. Hurley ordered Flippo into custody, saying that the defendant was trying to sabotage the trial by feigning illness. Flippo had checked into a hospital, claiming symptoms of a stroke, which delayed the trial for two days.

After the verdict, Judge Hurley ordered Flippo to remain in custody until sentencing and to undergo psychological testing. The judge said he was deeply concerned about the escalating cycle of violence in the case. He singled out an incident in which Flippo rammed into a vehicle owned by club member Ed Petzolt, K1LNC. The judge also questioned whether Flippo had perjured himself by repeatedly denying he ever used amateur radio frequencies.

When he is sentenced, Flippo faces a maximum of 8 years in a Federal prison and an $80,000 fine. This is in addition to an earlier 20,000 fine levied against him back in 1999 for unlicensed operation and other violations of the FCCs rules.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA. Norm.

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More on the Flippo case in future amateur Radio Newsline reports. (Palm Beach Post, Miami Sun, numerous others.)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: I LINK VS. ECHOLINK ROUND 1

Politics appears to be starting to play a part Internet based radio linking. According to Lee Williams, N3APP, a ham considered as being the father of i-Link named Graeme Barnes, M0SCH, has locked out all users running the EchoLink software from his servers. Also, i-Link users have had to download new software to stay on-line.

To counter the eviction, EchoLink proponent Jonathan Taylor, K1RFD, has set up new servers to allow users of that software to have connectivity. At least for those who want it.

Williams says that Barnes and Taylor are cooperating on the connectivity issue but caught in the middle are thousands of hams who do not care which program is in their computer. All they want to do is to talk to one another and they

really do not care whose server system their signal is routed through. (N3APP)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: ELECTION TIME AT THE NFCC-NFCB

Its election time at the National Frequency Coordinators Council or NFCC. Nominations to fill the seats of expiring National Frequency Coordinators Board Directors opened on June 15th. The closing date for candidate nomination is June 30th., with voting beginning on July 28th. and the election results announced on July 31st. The directors elected this time shall take office effective on the 1st. of September and will serve for two years. The incumbent directors whose terms expire on August 31st are Dave Baughn, KX4I, Dick Isely, W9GIG and Owen Wormser, K6LEW. (ARNewsline)

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CONVENTIONS AND HAMFESTS: 2003 ARRL NATIONAL IN DALLAS

The 2003 ARRL National Convention is now slated for June 20th through the 23rd at the Arlington Convention Center in the Dallas suburb of Arlington Texas. The national will be a part of Ham Com which is the very popular West Gulf Division convention held every year. More information is on the web at www.hamcom.org. (ARRL)

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CONVENTIONS AND HAMFESTS: JSAR SHOREFEST AUGUST 11

The Jersey Shore Amateur Radio Society is pleased to announce its 4th Annual ham radio Shorefest . The event is slated for Sunday, August 11th at the Bayville Fire House on Route 9 in Bayville, New Jersey. The hamfest is all indoors in 4,000 square feet of air-conditioned pleasure. More information is in cyberspace at www.jsars.org. For advanced table reservations or tickets contact Bob Reed, W2CE, by e-mail to w2ce@arrl.net. (W2CE)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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SPACE TECHNOLOGY: SEEING THE SOLAR ECLIPSE WITH MICROWAVE EYES

The June 10th partial solar eclipse attracted quite a bit of attention because the event could easily be seen. However, the sun is also a powerful source of microwave signals, so the eclipse should have been visible in the radio spectrum as well. And thanks to the efforts of Dr. Brian L. Dougherty of Caltech we now have graphs of the solar microwave eclipse.

Dr. Dougherty operates a microwave dish in Californias Owens Valley. That antenna is tied to receivers that records the radio spectrum of the sun every 9.6 seconds, covering roughly 100 frequencies between 1 and 18 GHz. With a bit of data processing, we are all able to see the eclipse in the microwave region your own eyes at http://srbl.caltech.edu/020610.html

There is also a real time Solar Radio Burst Locator during the day to see the sun's microwave events as they take place. Its in cyberspace at http://srbl.caltech.edu. (CGC Communicator)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: DIGITAL TV ANTI-PIRACY DEADLINE

July 15th. is the deadline set by Representative Billy Tauzin for the Hollywood studios, the computer industry and consumer electronics manufacturers to develop a method to protect digital TV from being pirated onto the Internet. The chairman of the influential House Commerce Committee is growing impatient over the stalled transition to digital TV. He also knows that the switch won't happen until movies and popular TV series can be protected from exposure to cyberspace piracy. If private negotiations fail, Tauzin says that he is prepared to step in and mandate government intervention. (Published news reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - CONTESTS: CHANGE IN THE ITALIAN WRTC2002 TEAM

The 2002 World Radiosport Team Championship committee has announced a change to the team being sent by Italy. According to Ari Korhonen, OH1EH, Fabio Schettino I4UFH, has replaced Maurizio Panicara, I4JMY on Team Italy. Schettino will operate with Stefano Brioschi, IK2QEI, in next summers games. (WRC 2003 Release)

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DX

D-X, a Y-L mini DX-pedition to Nauru planned for October has been dealt a major blow by officials. VK4SJ tells Q-NEWS they are not going to C21 because the Australian Government has commandeered all rooms in the only two hotels on the island. Without accommodations they can not get a Visa to stay on the island.

But thats not all! The group has been put to an additional expense as well as suffering cancellation fees for something completely beyond their control. It seems that their travel Insurance has an out in the contract. It come under the clause of government intervention. The government says no and that lets the insurance company off the hook. (Q-News)

Also, a reminder that as of the end of June the cost of mailing a postcard or Q-S-L card domestically will go from 21 cents to 23 cents. Also, a domestic first class letter of up to one ounce will cost 37 cents. The increased rates will also affect your credits at incoming QSL bureaus, plus the cost of mailing magazines such as CQ, Worldradio, 73 and QST -- to name only a few. (CQ)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE FUTURE OF DIGITAL TV: PART 1

And finally this week, while the entertainment industry is concerned about digital piracy of its products, the public is wondering where digital television is today and where it is really going. One of those asking is a listener to the D-X Audio Service named Victor Schmidt. He wrote to Editor and host Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, for some answers. Here is part one of W8HDUs reply as it originally aired on the May 2002 edition of the DX Audio Service magazine:

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THIS IS AN AUDIO ONLY REPORT. To hear it, go to www.arnewsline.org and download the MP3 audio version.
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Fred will be back next week with a look at the kinds of television receivers now in stores, those that go into your personal computer and what the future has in store. Be sure to tune in. (NRCDXAS)

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1089. FS/FT: AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU and fan BRAND NEW

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-28 11:36:20 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020628073620.28945.00000491@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 4024

I have an AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU with cooling fan, BRAND NEW. I bought this for a replacement, but then decided to upgrade the motherboard as well. I may be willing to trade for ham radio gear (let me know what you have) or will sell for best offer. Please email me directly.

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1090. FA: TECHNICAL MANUAL FOR TRI-EX TOWER:

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-28 16:50:43 UTC
From: NOSPAMdt0124@comcast.net
Message-ID: <3d1f93dd.60693602@news.mo.comcast.giganews.com>
Source record: 4025

ENDS 6/29
TECHNICAL MANUAL FOR TRI-EX LM-470D MOTORIZED CRANK-UP TOWER:
Complete installation, operation, and maintenance instructions for the
TRI-EX TOWER CORPORATION LM-470D tower (a 72' extended, 22' retracted,
heavy duty self-supporting tower).

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1361388502

1091. ARNewsline 1298 -June 28 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-29 08:26:01 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020629042601.08913.00001784@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 4026

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The following is a Q-S-T. Hams are on the scene of the worst wildfire in years, Australian researchers say they have discovered how to teleport light and an old friend in Earth orbit surprises hams on the ground. Theses stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1298 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AIDS AT ARIZONA WILDFIRE

It's hams to the rescue, again! This time it is the RODEO/CHEDESKI fire in Eastern Arizona.

Over 350-thousand-acres -- more than half the size of Rhode Island and far from containment!

The FCC reserved emergency frequencies for fire related communications only.... during daylight hours, 7.265 MHz on 40 Meters and after dark, 3.990 MHz in the 75 Meter band.

W7TSA -- a club station operated by the Salvation Army set up at one of the evacuation centers. It operated as primary net control ... with other Arizona stations picking up the duty in shifts -- making sure the frequencies were monitored 24-hours a day.

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One of the priorities, was setting up a VHF repeater, to enable reliable, short-distance communications for mobiles and portables:

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The Forest Service has set up firefighting headquarters in the town of Show Low, and one of the operators at W7TSA, located in the town's high school, gave other monitoring stations a rundown of activity, Tuesday night, June 25th.

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Those two frequencies -- 7.265 and 3.990, plus or minus 3-kHz -- are reserved for fire only duties -- for up to 14-days. Watch for the FCC announcement when things return to normal.

For some interesting short-wave listening, tune in -- but please don't transmit on those frequencies unless you're actively involved in the emergency response. (Story written by Alan Kaul, W6RCL)

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AMAZING TECHNOLOGY: LIGHT BEAM TELEPORTATION CLAIMED

Some are calling it brand new era in telecommunications. Others say its like the famed Star Trek Transporter coming true. Others simply don't believe that the first successful experiment in teleportation has actually taken place. But it appears to have happened in Australia. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, is there with the details:

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Scientists at Australian National University have succeeded in teleportation.

That is, the disembodiment of a thing in one location and its reconstruction in another.

In this case, a beam of light allegedly disappeared in one place and reappeared in another, a short distance away, via the mechanism of quantum entanglement. Data imbedded in the beam were also recovered.

Reporting from Q-News Australia, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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Scientists say that if this finding is duplicated and verified, this experiment would certainly be regarded as one of the most remarkable steps forward in telecommunications technology so far this century. (Q-News)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: LONG DORMANT AO-7 SPRINGS TO LIFE

AMSAT OSCAR 7 has returned from the dead and is shipping telemetry data on 145.9738 MHz. This, some two decades after it went silent in 1981 after its batteries failed. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, has the details:

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AMSAT OSCAR 7 was launched in November of 1974. It was one of the first of the more advanced ham satellite designs with uplink on 70 centimeters and a downlink in the 2 meter band. And, working with it's predecessor A-Oh-6, it was the first ham satellite used for space to space relay. And in 1981 it went Q-R-T.

It's unexpected return came on June 21st when Pat Gowan, G3IOR, in the U-K happened across the slow speed Morse telemetry. It was then monitored by a number of other satellite enthusiasts around the world.

Why is the long dormant bird suddenly returning to life? According to the old HR Report newsletter, the battery failure in 1981 was probably a short circuit. Now, two decades and numerous charge cycles of sunlight later, the short circuit is clearing.

That theory is born out to a great extent by former AO-7 Project Manager Jan King, W3GEY. According to a quote from King on the AMSAT website, the power management levels shown in the telemetry indicate an anomaly. He says that the battery voltage telemetry shows a voltage of 13.9 volts. Normal is 13.6 to 15.1 volts. So that would suggest the battery was normal but, the half battery voltage is measuring only 5.8 volts. In other words, a dead but open circuit battery pack. This leads to speculation that the satellite is operating directly off of its solar battery array and is active only when in sunlight.

But before you decide to try operating on the old bird, AMSAT has this warning. AO-7 listens on 432.1MHz. Due to changes in Amateur Service and Amateur Satellite Service there are questions as to legality of Amateurs transmitting to the bird. This is because the uplink frequency predates the WARC '79 allocation of 435 to 438 MHz by the International Telecommunications Union for the Amateur Satellite Service.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, in New Orleans. Roy.

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To elaborate a bit more on why it might be a bad idea to try and use AO-7. The uplink frequency falls in the current 70 centimeter weak signal segment in all three I-T-U Regions. Because of this, it would appear that anyone trying to access the uplink is operating outside the Amateur Satellite Service rules and regulations. (AMSAT-NA)

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ON THE AIR: FIELD DAY WAS KIDS DAY

Field Day 2002 may also have been the third Kids Day operating event of 2002. This as youngsters across the North America took to the airwaves using the new GOTA or Get On The Air stations. Amateur Radio Newsline visited the Santa Clarita Amateur Radio Club as it put a bunch of visiting youngsters on the air: Take a listen:

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The new Get On The Air stations have replaced the old Novice stations at most Field Day sites. And, if this year is an indication of the future the Get On The Air is here to stay. (ARNewslineï¿½)

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ENFORCEMENT: MINNESOTA SUSPENSION FOR REPEATER INTERFERENCE

A Minnesota ham will be off the air for a while. This based on allegations of interference to a two meter repeater. The FCC's Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, explains why:

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We issued a warning letter regarding repeater interference to Michael Priest, KB0KMJ, of Deluth Minnesota. The interference was to the Arrowhead Amateur Radio Club repeater on 146.94 MHz. Priest has responded to our letter and has accepted a three year suspension of all Amateur Radio privileges.
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The interference Hollingsworth referred to occurred on numerous occasions between January 2 and April 4 of this year. Priest's license suspension remains in effect until midnight on May 15th, 2005. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT:

The FCC is also looking at a V-E testing session in Tennessee where a pair of Volunteer Examiners allegedly administered Amateur Radio exams to close relatives. FCC Part 97 rules prohibits a V-E from administering an examination to a spouse or other specified relative. The purpose of the rule is to help insure the integrity of the volunteer testing process. Again the

FCC's Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH:

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Hollingsworth: "We sent inquiries to two VE's regarding apparent testing irregularities. We need information as to why Bobby A. Raymer, N2BR, administered an Amateur Radio exam to his wife and signed-off as a VE.

And we want to know why Steven G. Hunter, KF4FAV, administered a radio exam to his brother Gary E. Hunter."
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Both of these incidents occurred at a December 1999 ARRL sponsored V-E session in Cookville, Tennessee. Hollingsworth says that Raymer has replied and that response is under review. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: DON'T OPERATE ON CB

Five hams have been accused of operating Amateur radio-transmitting equipment without a license on 27.585 MHz and other frequencies near the 11 meter Class D Citizens band allocation. The agency says that operating radio transmitting equipment without a license for a specific service is a violation of Section 301 of the Communications Act.

The FCC says that it is important for hams to understand that violations on frequencies other than the ones they use as Amateurs can jeopardize their licenses and could subject them to other penalties. In this case, the five were warned that they could face fines or imprisonment, as well as seizure of radio transmitting equipment. Fines normally range from $7,500 to $10,000. (FCC)

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CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS: CHANGES FOR HAMVENTION 2003

Jim Trangenstein, KB8OUO has been named as the General Chairman for the 2003 Dayton Hamvention. Trangenstein, who has already served at Assistant General Chairman replaces Jim Graver, KB8PSO, who held the top post for the past three years.

Also departing from the Hamvention team is longtime Forums Chairman Jim Ebner, N8JE. Ebner and his wife plan to leave the Dayton area and relocate to North Carolina. In his parting e-mail, N8JE told his many friends that he has truly enjoyed working with them for the past fourteen years.

And two final items before we move on. According to a note from outgoing General Chairman Jim Graver, the official attendance figure for Hamvention 2002 is 24,832. Also, Hamvention 2003 is slated for next May 16th, 17th and 18th. More information is in cyberspace at www.hamvention.org. (KB8PSO, N8JE, DARA)

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CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS: AMSAT IN TEXAS IN NOVEMBER

The 20th Space Symposium and AMSAT-NA annual conference is scheduled for November 7th to the 11th in Fort Worth, Texas. The event will chronicle recent and future Amateur Radio satellite technology developments. AMSAT Members are welcome to attend the AMSAT Board of Directors Meeting on November 10th and 11th. The Chair for the 2002 event is Keith Pugh W5IU. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: NFCC ELECTION CORRECTION

Dick Isley, W9GIG advises that we have an error in last weeks report regarding the election at the National Frequency Coordinators Council. Dick says that the election for the three National Frequency Coordination Board positions starts on July 9th and ends on July 28th. We typoed the election as starting on 28 and the announcement of whose elected made on the 31st. As Isley pointed out, it would be very hard to get all the ballots in and tallied in only three days. (W9GIG)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for todays radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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SUPPORT FUND REPORT WITH ANDY JAREMA N6TCQ

Ladies and gentlemen, with a report on the financial condition of Amateur Radio Newsline, here is its Treasurer and Support Fund administrator, Andy Jarema, N6TCQ:

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Most of the time, I try to keep these reports as light hearted as I can. This time I have to be very serious. The reason: There is no money in our account to pay outstanding bills.

Here are the numbers. In the account is about $250. In my hand -- right here -- are bills for the months of April and May totaling close to $1600.

Do the math yourself. That's a $1350 deficit, and this does not take into account the month of June that is quickly coming to an end. You can add another $800 to $1000 there. And, put in another $900 to cover Amateur Radio Newsline's part of the upcoming Young Ham of the Year Award in August.

As you know, I am the guy who writes the checks. I am also the one with the power to pull the plug. To take Amateur Radio Newsline off the phones, off the Internet and off of your radio. I don't want to do that, and I am trying not to. But if the dollars run out and none come in to replace them, I will have no other alternative. And right now, there are no dollars coming in.

As the song in the Broadway show Cabaret says. it is money that makes the world go around. In the case of Amateur Radio Newsline, it takes about $1000 a month on average to keep it going. And we need your help right now -- today

-- to keep it from disappearing from the airwaves.

Remember, the Amateur Radio Newsline is a federal 501 C 3 tax exempt corporation. Your donations to it are tax deductible. The address to send your assistance is the Newsline Support Fund, Post Office Box 660937, Arcadia California. Our Zipcode is 91066.

As always, we thank you in advance for your support.

I'm Andy Jarema, N6TCQ

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If you missed the address for the Newsline Support Fund it will be repeated at the end of this weeks report.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: LEARNING LONG DISTANCE

The United States House of Representatives has voted to make it easier for students to take classes over the Internet. This, by relaxing restrictions on correspondence courses.

Supporters of the bill, which passed 354-70, said it would expand educational opportunities for people who cannot take courses in traditional classroom settings. The bill allows some schools to offer more than half their classes by telecommunication. It also cuts the number of instructional hours nontraditional programs must offer each week to be in line with the requirement for traditional classes. Nontraditional programs - such as distance learning courses - must offer at least 12 hours of instruction each week, while traditional programs have to provide one day of instruction.

A companion bill introduced by Wyoming's Mike Enzi is pending in the Senate. (Published news reports)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: NEW ANS CO-EDITORS

AMSAT North America has announced the appointment of Joanne Maenpaa, WB9JEJ and Harrison Faust WW4HF are the new co-editors of the weekly Amsat News Service. Both have extensive experience as Editors of Technical publications.

And with the change in Editors the AMSAT News Service will begin a metamorphosis of its own. Beginning with the June 16th issue, the e-letter was split the actual news section from the satellite report for a trial period. Both sections will be made available to subscribers but as separate e-mail delivered bulletins. (ANS)

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SPECTRUM REALLOCATION: AMATEUR BANDS RETURNED TO HAMS IN PANAMA

Some good news for ham radio operators in Panama. They are getting some spectrum that was reallocated away returned for their use once again.

Two years ago the Panamanian government issued a revised frequency allocation plan which removed. It 30 meters and several UHF and microwave bands from the amateur service there.

Now, the ARRL Letter reports that an effort to reverse the changes spearheaded by the Radio Club of Panama has been successful. The Panamanian government has now reportedly agreed to restore all previous amateur allocations except for those in the 902 to 928 MHz band. (ARRL)

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INTERNATIONAL - NETHERLANDS: DIGITAL RADIO ON SHORTWAVE

Media Network reports that Netherlands Digital Radio Mondiale is now testing from Bonaie at 21:30 to 23:25 UTC Bonaire is on 15.520 MHz in simulcast mode. That is analog and digital signals are on the same frequency at the same time.

The simulcast frequency as specified is the center frequency of the digital signal which actually ranges from 15.515 to 15.525 MHz. The analog is from 15.525 to 15.530 MHz with the analog carrier is located at 15.530 MHz, hence an analog tuner should be tuned to 15.530 MHz in order to receive the signal. You'll find the full updated schedule of DRM tests from Bonaire at http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/html/drm_latest.html. (Media Network)

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INTERNATIONAL-CANADA: RAC DIRECTORS APPOINTED

Radio Amateurs of Canada's Board of Directors has approved the appointment of Bjarne Madsen, VE5FX and D. Howard Dickson, VE1DHD, as Directors for the Midwest and Atlantic Regions respectively. These appointments are effective immediately filling unexpired terms to December 31st of two directors who had previously resigned. (RAC)

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DX

In DX, HB9DRD who is also G4KLX advises that there will be a Leichtenstein satellite expedition on July 13th and 14th. Jonathan and his partner Achim, DH2VA, will operate 50 KHz below the AO-40 beacon so as to stay out of the way of normal QSO's. Their Uplink will be on U-band and if signals get to weak they may change to CW operation. (VHF Reflector)

And Herb Spoonts, W3IWI, reports that the CY9 party is en-route to St. Paul Island. Operation will commence shortly and continue through July 7th. Look for them on several bands including 6 and 2 meter Meteor Scatter using standard sequenced WSJT. (W3IWI)

On HF, F6CTL is in French Polynesia and on the air until the 15th of July. He also plans to visit Rurutu and Tubuai in the Austral islands. These islands count as OC-050 and OC-152 respectively for the Islands on the Air Award program. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE FUTURE OF DIGITAL TV: PART 2

And finally this week, we continue our look at digital digital television today and where it is going. This week, DX Audio Service Editor Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, teells you how you can receive digital television and the hardware thats available to do the job:

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THIS IS AN AUDIO ONLY REPORT. To hear it, go to www.arnewsline.org and download the MP3 audio version.
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Fred will be back next week with a look at the spectrum that digital television is supposed to use and how its actually using it. (NRCDXAS)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the D-X Audio Service, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Roy Neal, K6DUE, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1092. 500 irlp nodes connected to repeaters

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-29 14:20:56 UTC
From: g3zhi@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3d1e3221.1588183@news.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4027

http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi

for more info visit

http://www.qsl.net/g3zhi

1093. forsale: mint condition dx 160 with manual and speaker 125.00US shipped

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-30 10:01:21 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <n7qT8.63019$op.6298002@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4028

for sale in mint condition:

realistic receiver dx 160

with external speaker and manual

125.00US includes basic shipping

thanks
oakvillecub@cogeco.ca

1094. for sale yaseu frg 9600 with video card,service manual.ant, dc supply 200.00US shipped

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-30 10:08:24 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <_dqT8.63023$op.6298008@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4029

for sale:

yaseu frg 9600 with optional video card, service manual,
ant, dc supply.

200.00US includes shipping

thanks
oakvillecub@cogeco.ca

1095. Re: for sale yaseu frg 9600 with video card,service manual.ant, dc supply 200.00US shipped

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-30 11:09:53 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <19rT8.80361$Yt.3301207@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4030

tentatively sold

JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca> wrote in message
news:_dqT8.63023$op.6298008@read2.cgocable.net...
> for sale:
>
> yaseu frg 9600 with optional video card, service manual,
> ant, dc supply.
>
> 200.00US includes shipping
>
> thanks
> oakvillecub@cogeco.ca
>
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>

1096. COLLINS RADIO EQUIPMENT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-30 11:49:51 UTC
From: ANDY@XLMACHINERY.COM
Message-ID: <3D1EF05F.5EB9D1BD@XLMACHINERY.COM>
Source record: 4031

I have the following commercial Collins equipment
they are ground based units

anyone know if they are still used commercially or by amateurs??

Collins transmitter 242f-9c
Collins receiver 51m-81
Collins receiver 51m-10

1097. R-140

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-30 19:41:50 UTC
From: Bizon <bizongod@poczta.fm>
Message-ID: <afnnc4$qn3$1@news.tpi.pl>
Source record: 4032

Hi !
I'm looking for anythink about
Rushian/Polish military radiostation
R-140 (schematics, manual...).

Thanks

Bizon

1098. FS/FT: AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU and fan

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-06-30 23:14:19 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020630191419.22904.00002004@mb-fh.aol.com>
Source record: 4033

I have a BRAND NEW AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU with cooling fan. I bought it to replace the processor in my computer, then decided to upgrade the motherboard as well, so I don't need it. It's unused and in perfect shape.

I am willing to trade for ham equipment (tell me what you have to trade) or will take best offer.

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1099. Re: COLLINS RADIO EQUIPMENT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-01 13:29:28 UTC
From: Gerry Cechony <noway@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <YOYT8.8708$6Y3.4124@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 4034

Try a visit to the Collins Radio Association website, www.collinsra.com

73 de W2GERry

<ANDY@XLMACHINERY.COM> wrote in message
news:3D1EF05F.5EB9D1BD@XLMACHINERY.COM...
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> they are ground based units
>
> anyone know if they are still used commercially or by amateurs??
>
> Collins transmitter 242f-9c
> Collins receiver 51m-81
> Collins receiver 51m-10
>

1100. Re: Need help with antenna tuning

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-01 13:43:24 UTC
From: Alan Price <AJP@topechelon.com>
Message-ID: <3D205CB1.F3CCF0FE@topechelon.com>
Source record: 4035

Nope, just use as little power as you can, choose a clear freq and identify.

Alan
W1HYV

Joe wrote:

> Hi,
>
> Is there any way to tune an antenna without having to transmit RF? I
> understand how a dummy load can be used to adjust a transmitter. One of my
> friends suggested tuning while receiving to maximize volume. That seems to
> work for ballparking the capacitor settings, but doesn't help with inductor
> settings. Would putting a switched antenna analyzer between the
> transceiver, and the tuner work? Transceiver->A/Bswitch A transceiver to
> tuner, B analyzer to tuner. Some others have told me to use a dummy load,
> but I don't understand how a load that is resistivie only could be used for
> antenna tuning. Any help would be greatly appreciated.
>
> KB9ZXO/AG

1101. Re: Need help with antenna tuning

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-01 14:54:08 UTC
From: Ed Juge/NM <ed@juge.org>
Message-ID: <3d2070a8.0@oracle.zianet.com>
Source record: 4036

YES... The MFJ Antenna Analyzer will let you tune any antenna. Unplug your antenna from the amp and plug it into the Analyzer.

Now... if you meant "tune the amplifier" without putting a signal on the air... that's an entirely different issue.

You can tune into a dummy load IF the antenna you plan to use is a perfect 50-ohm match (unlikely).
Otherwise, as Alan said, pick a clear frequency, identify, and tune up.
However, I would add that before you're done, you SHOULD tune at the maximum power level you plan to use for operation. The tuning can change from low power level to high power level.

Ed, W5EJ

"Alan Price" <AJP@topechelon.com> wrote in message news:3D205CB1.F3CCF0FE@topechelon.com...
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> Alan
> W1HYV
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> > but I don't understand how a load that is resistivie only could be used for
> > antenna tuning. Any help would be greatly appreciated.
> >
> > KB9ZXO/AG
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1102. FS/FT: AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU and fan

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-01 19:48:48 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020701154848.15201.00001158@mb-fh.aol.com>
Source record: 4037

I have an AMD K6-2 500mhz CPU with cooling fan, brand new. I bought it to replace my CPU, but then decided to upgrade the motherboard too, so I don't need it. Never used. Willing to trade it + cash for a 220mhz HT or mobile radio, lap top computer (older is fine - 486 or better), or a Ten Tec 2m to 6m transverter, or will take best cash offer.

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1103. FS: Icom R75 w/ KIWA mods and DSP, Mint

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-01 21:31:06 UTC
From: maritimus49@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020701173106.18315.00001365@mb-bg.aol.com>
Source record: 4038

Icom R75 communications receiver in mint condition. With UT-106 DSP unit ($140) and all Kiwa mods recently done ($170) 1) AGC/Sync detector improvements 2) additional 3.8 kHz filter in place of 15 kHz filter for better AM listening during crowded conditions and 3) replacement of audio components for even better audio quality. Comes with manual, original box, and external power supply and invoice from Kiwa. I'm selling because I just bought a transceiver for ham and SWLing. Asking $600 plus shipping for this superb receiver. Thanks.

1104. FA: 25-Watt UHF GM300 438-470MHz w/ Acc/sig.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-02 03:44:24 UTC
From: mikemost@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20020701234424.27391.00001951@mb-fo.aol.com>
Source record: 4039

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1363969126

73's,
Mike
KC2GFG/SKYWARN - NJ

1105. What happened to rec.radio.amateur?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-04 03:35:13 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020703233513.23629.00001248@mb-fb.aol.com>
Source record: 4040

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It seems like the message flow has all but stopped here...
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
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1106. WTB: REPEATER CONTROLLER

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-04 18:06:54 UTC
From: n2ion@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020704140654.23790.00002848@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 4041

I'M LOOKING TO BUY AN S-COM 7K CONTROLLER FOR MY REPEATER.
EMAIL IF YOU CAN HELP ME OUT.

THANKS IN ADVANCE.

1107. FS: Clipperton L Linear Amplifier

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-05 16:25:57 UTC
From: Barry <bcushman@email.com>
Message-ID: <2KjV8.41993$wj4.3315680@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4042

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1364390277

1108. FS: Dentron MT3000A antenna tuner

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-05 16:26:47 UTC
From: Barry <bcushman@email.com>
Message-ID: <2KjV8.41994$wj4.3315680@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 4043

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1364043847

1109. Re: What happened to rec.radio.amateur?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-06 01:22:17 UTC
From: ke7nr@cox.net
Message-ID: <3d26463a.648414@news.west.cox.net>
Source record: 4044

I think it went to rec.radio.swap

On 04 Jul 2002 03:35:13 GMT, vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
(VHFRadioBuff) wrote:

>It seems like the message flow has all but stopped here...
>=-
>73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
>Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
>http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1110. Transformer from microwave kitchen

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-06 09:16:58 UTC
From: Bizon <bizongod@poczta.fm>
Message-ID: <ag74jm$ne0$4@news.tpi.pl>
Source record: 4045

Hi !
What do You think about using transformer
from microwave kitchen in HF PA ?

Thanks
Bizon

1111. FS: 4 A DC supply - SBE - $30

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-07 04:50:53 UTC
From: k6sde <no_spamxx_k6sde@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <3D27C8C7.BF93E192@yahoo.com>
Source record: 4047

I have an SBE 4 ampere 13.8 VDC supply for sale.

If you're an SBE collector or if you just want a supply to
power your DC transceiver or a bench supply this should work
well for you.

See some pictures and details at:

http://home.attbi.com/~h1m/SBE/sbe.html
or
SBE 4A Supply

Thanks for looking.

K6SDE

1112. f.s. 12 regulated bench powersupply - motorola 4 amps 50.00US shipped

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-07 06:42:55 UTC
From: JJJ <oakvillecub@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <GUGV8.84441$Yt.3459188@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4046

for sale:

motorola powersupply
bench
12 volts regulated with 4 amps

50.00US includes shipping

thanks
oakvillecub@yahoo.ca

1113. New program COAXTRAP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-07 18:23:49 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <aga0vkgap1@venus.btinternet.com>
Source record: 4048

New program COAXTRAP.exe

Coaxial traps are often inserted in HF dipole antennas to isolate the ends of the wires from the the feedpoint thus shortening the effective overall length of the antenna. The antenna is then resonant in a higher frequency band. A trap is a parallel tuned circuit which is adjusted to resonate at the higher frequency.

A trap is constructed from a length of coaxial line wound as a solenoid on a cylindrical former. The program models the construction operation by assisting the designer to wind on turns until the required resonant frequency is achieved. The normal coaxial capacitance behaves as the high-voltage tuning capacitance although there is a transformer action in the manner of connecting the ends of the line together. This small program will be interesting even if the user does not intend to make any traps.

Download COAXTRAP in a few seconds from website below. About 31 kilobytes. Not zipped up. Run immediately.

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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
Free Radio Design Software
Go to http://www.g4fgq.com
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1114. dx160 analog shortwave with sidespeaker and manual 100.00US shipped

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-09 13:24:18 UTC
From: JOE <shyguy@cogeco.ca>
Message-ID: <wuBW8.68371$op.7148342@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 4049

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for sale in mint condition
with sidespeaker and manual

realistic shortwave receiver
dx 160

100.00US shipped

thanks
shyguy@cogeco.ca
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1115. WORLD WIDE BREAK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-09 21:19:45 UTC
From: tripleduecefla@comcast.net
Message-ID: <7d782fd2.0207091319.45bd19f6@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3900

WEll Florida had a big break and it was a my view a "shame" to much money going to well whos knows poorly planed.I mean come on! People who travelled hundreds of miles were turned away from keying by the poor judgeing and the whole way it was run.Maybe thats why you need to leave the breaks to the ones who arent trying to get rich all in the same time of haveing a good time.shit i won mojority of the classes and didnt even get 1 tape and didnt even get my money back for the wins in the classes witch was supposed to be 80percent payback lol sad day for me all the time it takes to prepare for the keydown is just thrown away by a few people who just try to ruin it by being greedy and to those people you know who you are trust me never try to have a big break again cause i think you already know it would never happen! cause it never did this time neither!

1116. RadioCom 5.1 RX / TX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-10 02:16:19 UTC
From: ManKind <MK@NoYouCan'tSpamMe.com>
Message-ID: <TNMW8.7480$r2E1.6664@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 3901
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

Does this work on conventional scanners hooked up through the line input of the computer?

http://www.bonito.net/infos/en_ham_rc50.htm

Outgoing mail is certified Virus Free.
Checked by AVG anti-virus system (http://www.grisoft.com).
Version: 6.0.373 / Virus Database: 208 - Release Date: 7/1/2002

1117. Re: WORLD WIDE BREAK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-10 04:20:24 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020710002024.02660.00003123@mb-mp.aol.com>
Source record: 3902

And what does this have to do with Amateur Radio?
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1118. Link

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-10 05:14:19 UTC
From: jamesmb1966@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020710011419.22890.00003076@mb-cj.aol.com>
Source record: 3903

fly.hiwaay.net/~gcamp

1119. FA: ICOM IC-27A 2 meter mobile

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-10 13:21:26 UTC
From: Barry <bcushman@email.com>
Message-ID: <nuWW8.75386$wj4.6805593@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 3904

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1365744669

1120. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-10 19:26:20 UTC
From: Alan Beagley <abeagley@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <3D2C8A5C.9060007@optonline.net>
Source record: 3905
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

If I may clamber aboard here . . .

. . . or what about the Icom IC-T81A? Although discontinued, there are still some around.

-=-
Alan, AB2OS

James Alexander wrote:
> I'm a "casual" ham -- meaning that I'm only on the air when I'm on
> the road, at the fair, camping, fishing, etc. (I'm not interested in
> a base or mobile rig). I'm trying to decide between a Kenwood TH-F6A
> and a Yaesu VX-7R. Of the two, which would you choose and why?

1121. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-10 22:18:42 UTC
From: ne0x@starband.net
Message-ID: <sp2X8.368$Bs6.207765614@twister1.starband.net>
Source record: 3906
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

i would not consider the ict81a, its too cumbersome to try to program any way but with a computer. had one i know. most of us dont carry one around with us.
"James Alexander" <jwalex77@NOSPAM.hotmail.com> wrote in message news:Xns924789F471A75jwalex77@63.240.76.16...
> I'm a "casual" ham -- meaning that I'm only on the air when I'm on
> the road, at the fair, camping, fishing, etc. (I'm not interested in
> a base or mobile rig). I'm trying to decide between a Kenwood TH-F6A
> and a Yaesu VX-7R. Of the two, which would you choose and why?

1122. Re: RadioCom 5.1 RX / TX

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-11 01:22:19 UTC
From: KH <kenct9999@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <f55X8.2164$I46.687726684@newssvr10.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3907
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

The RadioCom program does not control the scanner or any other receiver. It appears to simply process the audio output.

Ken K1XS

1123. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-11 02:41:28 UTC
From: Brian E <none@bigcorp.com>
Message-ID: <9f6X8.571$ct2.294419@newsfeed.slurp.net>
Source record: 3908
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I can't speak for the VX-7R but I can say that I've been disappointed in my TH-F6. After owning it for two months the B band stopped receiving completely. In all fairness I must say that Kenwood did repair the radio and they returned it to me in less than two weeks.

However, just recently I attended an air show and intended to use the HT for monitoring the aircraft at the show. The area was fairly RF-dense. The first thing I noticed was that the rig was virtually unusable due to intermod on the 440 Mhz band as I tried to QSO with someone else on a repeater that was literally line-of-sight from my location. I encountered another ham at the show who had a Yaesu VX-5. Not only did his radio not appear to be affected by the intermod problem I noticed on my radio, he could also copy aircraft transmissions from several miles away. I could not copy the aircraft until they were within two or three miles of our site. I also noticed that the sensitivity on the military frequencies was quite low.

Also, if you intend to use the radio to monitor HF, please be aware that the radio is nearly deaf between 1500 KHz and the bottom of the FM broadcast band. This anomaly is partially due to the poor antenna (rubber duck) but even with a long wire antenna reception is still marginal.

Again, I can't advise about the VX-7 but I can say that the F6A has been a disappointment to me. As with so many things, YMMV.

"James Alexander" <jwalex77@NOSPAM.hotmail.com> wrote in message news:Xns924789F471A75jwalex77@63.240.76.16...
> I'm a "casual" ham -- meaning that I'm only on the air when I'm on
> the road, at the fair, camping, fishing, etc. (I'm not interested in
> a base or mobile rig). I'm trying to decide between a Kenwood TH-F6A
> and a Yaesu VX-7R. Of the two, which would you choose and why?

1124. Beware of TI2YLL, "Jose Gerardo Garcia Mora" a.k.a. "Gerardo Garcia", radio amateur and "collector"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-11 10:18:23 UTC
From: lejonet64@yahoo.gr
Message-ID: <b54c86dc.0207110218.5f57117a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3909
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.shortwave,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Dear radio amateur friends (and perhaps fellow collectors),

Please be warned about HAM radio amateur"Mr. Jose Gerardo Garcia Mora"
of Costa Rica, callsign TI2YLL. http://www.qrz.com/callsign/TI2YLL ,
http://www.eham.net/callbook/ (search for TI2YLL)

As a "collector", he has cheated many in the collectors' community in
the past. But this might also concern you, too. Apart from QSL cards,
he has also advertised for other collectibles' exchange within your
community's pages.
And I believe that you often exchange items related to your hobby,
too.

Several months ago, I posted a message on several newsgroups to warn
collectors about "Mr. Jose Gerardo Garcia Mora" of Costa Rica,
"collector" or "seller" at times of, breweriana, cans, matchbooks,
paper money, coins, stamps, phone cards, postcards,cigarette packs and
of course QSL CARDS. I consider him the worst cheater I have ever
come across; he has cheated at least 10 individuals besides myself, to
my knowledge.

Mr Garcia's name has been included in several collectors' Black lists.
Here are links to just a few of them:

http://www.geocities.com/kirbas/mora.html (phonecards)
"http://www.network54.com/Hide/Forum/thread?forumid=169329&messageid=1007389482&lp=1007389
482/
" (banknotes)
http://www.ophetweb.nl/collcoin/blacklist.html (coins)
Jan Meinders black list at http://www.beercollection.net/
(breweriana)

Mr Garcia Mora had disappeared completely from the Internet since last
September, right after cheating me. Recently he reappeared with new
email and surface mail addresses, and sometimes with a different name
(more like a different combination of his 4 names). I was alerted by
a cigarette pack collector from Italy and after a brief search on the
Web discovered the following:

He now uses the following email addresses:
electronica2391@hotmail.com,
electronica96@hotmail.com and ti2yll@qsl.com
(instead of the old imex81sa@racsa.co.cr)
and this surface address:

P.O.Box 10485, (instead of PO Box 7138 which he had been using since
1993)
San Jose,
Costa Rica,
America Central

He now mostly appears as "Gerardo Garcia" , instead of Josï¿½.

This man has managed to remain active since 1993, beginning without
the aid of the Internet. He has been blacklisted before, but he
somehow manages to continue
cheating, by avoiding newsgroups and large, frequently visited sites,
by switching from one field to another and by disappearing for
months from time to time. People either choose to forget about him or
just
don't have the time to go after him.

Thank you all very much for your time-and, for those of you who are
fellow collectors, happy "safe" collecting .

Xenophon Alexopoulos, Greece

email: xenophon "at" kodros "dot" gr

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For more details, here follows the latest research I have done on this
individual:

For years he has posed as a Ham Radio amateur with the call sign
TI2YLL. Look at http://www.qrz.com/callsign/TI2YLL. This was his old
identity as "Jose Garcia."
At another related site, http://www.eham.net/classifieds/, try a
search for TI2YLL. Here you see a new email address combined with the
old PO Box number and his usual name.
At "http://www.guestbook.ru/book.cgi?user=uradxclub&action=show/ ",
yet another email address. He does not mention a name here but it is
more than obvious that it is him.

At the following links he appears with the new email address as
"Gerardo Garcia" and has a new PO Box address:
http://jos.hkcampus.net/~jos-wym/gbook.html
http://members.tripod.com/~HouleV/America.htm
"http://www.santanderciudadviva.com/tablon.asp?buscar=&paginaactual=5/
" in Spanish
"http://www.molepostcards.com/services/adverts.php?id=497&p=1&o=&s=/"
http://books.dreambook.com/peacenest/main.html from
http://www.deuss.com/peacenest/
http://www.pcbandit.net/guestbook/guestbook.pl ,
and at http://www.pcbandit.net/traders/ (number 103)
http://www.cigpack.at (Guest book).

Besides the above, he maintains three separate pages on
www.webshots.com , where he proudly displays his postcard, cigarette
pack and QSL card collections, the greater part of the first 2
collections quite possibly stolen.
http://community.webshots.com/user/69as010
http://community.webshots.com/user/ggarciacr
http://community.webshots.com/user/packs1952
http://community.webshots.com/user/matches101 (empty for now)
Are the cigarette packs perhaps those stolen from Thomas
http://members.aol.com/lfm1111/thieves.html ?

1125. WTB-19" RACK MOUNT SHELVES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-11 12:37:22 UTC
From: n2ion@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020711083722.01664.00000226@mb-fp.aol.com>
Source record: 3910

HI,
I'M LOOKING TO BUY A FEW 19" RACK MOUNTABLE SHELVES ON SLIDERS. I NEED
SOMETHING THAT CAN SLIDE IN & OUT OF THE RACK.
IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THESE PLEASE EMAIL WITH THE DETAILS & PRICE.

THANKS IN ADVANCE.

1126. Live Practice Morse Code Steaming on Internet???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-11 21:52:26 UTC
From: xtx99@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020711175226.07668.00000093@mb-da.aol.com>
Source record: 3911

I have a lowly tech license and want to move up. Is anyone aware of Internet sites with live practice Morse code streaming? I came across several practice MP3 files...but they're of course no good to use a 2nd time. I was told that if I had an HF rig I could tune into a couple stations with constantly updated practice code. Is there anything similar on the Internet? Thanks for your suggestions.

1127. Live Practice Morse Code Steaming on Internet???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-11 22:00:44 UTC
From: xtx99@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020711180044.07668.00000096@mb-da.aol.com>
Source record: 3912

I have a lowly tech license and want to move up. Is anyone aware of Internet sites with live practice Morse code streaming? I came across several practice MP3 files...but they're of course no good to use a 2nd time. I was told that if I had an HF rig I could tune into a couple stations with constantly updated practice code. Is there anything similar on the Internet? Thanks for your suggestions.

1128. Tone Decode problem on Yeasu FT-847

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-12 12:47:47 UTC
From: Brian <houge@smart-tech.dk>
Message-ID: <3d2ecfc0$0$54748$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 3913
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur

Hello Hams.

Im having a problem with my tone decode on my Yeasu FT-847
Its not working right. When im in tone deocode and open the squelch, it
makes noice every 3-4sec.
When tone decode is working right as in my yeasu ft8100, nothing comes trow
the speeker unless the right subtone is with the incomming signal.

Anyone else know this problem, and is there a cure for it?

Thanks.

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73 de OZ1SKY Brian
ICQ# 8879610
AOL.IM# usericq8879610
IRC #Hamradio.oz (Undernet)
http://oz1sky.smart-tech.dk

1129. Re: Tone Decode problem on Yeasu FT-847

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-12 13:28:24 UTC
From: Nick <not.known@here.com>
Message-ID: <NQAX8.1035$SM5.86014@newsfep1-win.server.ntli.net>
Source record: 3914
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur

Check to see if you are scanning a priority channel.

"Brian" <houge@smart-tech.dk> wrote in message
news:3d2ecfc0$0$54748$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk...
> Hello Hams.
>
> Im having a problem with my tone decode on my Yeasu FT-847
> Its not working right. When im in tone deocode and open the squelch, it
> makes noice every 3-4sec.
> When tone decode is working right as in my yeasu ft8100, nothing comes
trow
> the speeker unless the right subtone is with the incomming signal.
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> Anyone else know this problem, and is there a cure for it?
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> Thanks.
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> --
> 73 de OZ1SKY Brian
> ICQ# 8879610
> AOL.IM# usericq8879610
> IRC #Hamradio.oz (Undernet)
> http://oz1sky.smart-tech.dk
>
>

1130. Re: Tone Decode problem on Yeasu FT-847

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-12 13:40:22 UTC
From: Brian <houge@smart-tech.dk>
Message-ID: <3d2edc13$0$80785$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 3915
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur

Hi Nick

Im not scanning. This problem shows on a normal 2m FM channel with squelch open.

Regards Brian.

"Nick" <not.known@here.com> wrote in message news:NQAX8.1035$SM5.86014@newsfep1-win.server.ntli.net...
> Check to see if you are scanning a priority channel.
>

1131. Re: Tone Decode problem on Yeasu FT-847

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-12 13:58:30 UTC
From: me <me@nowwhere.com>
Message-ID: <3D2EE086.2FAEED41@nowwhere.com>
Source record: 3916
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur

Brian wrote:

> Hi Nick
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> Im not scanning. This problem shows on a normal 2m FM channel with squelch
> open.
>
> Regards Brian.
>
> "Nick" <not.known@here.com> wrote in message
> news:NQAX8.1035$SM5.86014@newsfep1-win.server.ntli.net...
> > Check to see if you are scanning a priority channel.
> >

try this url, there's a discussion group/faq there for 847's

http://www.supercontrol.de/cat/us/index.php/

kd5foy

1132. ARNewsline 1300 - July 12 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-12 18:50:44 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020712145044.11693.00000295@mb-mu.aol.com>
Source record: 3917

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1300 July 12, 2002

Celebrating a quarter of a century in service to ham radio, this is Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1300 with a release date of Friday, July 12th 2002. It follows in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The ham radio Olympics are happening in Finland and a Reading Pennsylvania teen is named Young Ham of the Year here in the United States. Find out who on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1300 coming your way right now.

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RADIOSPORTS: THE HAM RADIO OLYMPICS FOR 2002 ARE ON

Its the Super Bowl of ham radio contesting. The 2002 World Radiosport Team Championship games also known as WRTC 2002 have been taking place this week. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, reports:

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The World Radiosport Team Championship, sometimes called 'the Olympic Games of Amateur Radio', takes place in Finland between the 9th and 15th of July. WRTC is a competition among 52 two-person teams of the top amateur radio contest operators in the world.

By bringing competitors together in one geographic area and providing equal operating conditions, including antennas and power, the variables normally associated with radio contesting are minimised, and the individual team's operating skills are emphasised. Look for the national teams taking part in next weekend's IARU HF Championship contest from sites in the Helsinki area and using callsigns with the unique OJ1 to OJ8 prefixes.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.

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The contest began at 1200 U-T-C on Saturday the 13th of July, and runs for 24 hours. The WRTC 2002 organizing committee is asking any of you who worked the conterstants to e-mail your logs by 1800 U-T-C on July 14. These "early bird" logs will be used only for log checking purposes related to the WRTC 2002 teams. The e-mail address is logs@wrtc2002.org

Also, Film maker Dave Bell, W6AQ, is in Finland recording the event on digital videotape. Bell produced the popular Ham Radio Olympics video that chronicled the 2000 WRTC games. (WRTC2002, GB2RS, W6AQ)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AND THE TEXAS FLOODS

On this side of the Atlantic, the Federal Communication Commission declared a general communications emergency Friday July 5th in response to severe flooding in parts of Texas. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW has more:

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Thousands of people were evacuated from three West Texas towns as a massive storm dumped more than a foot of water on an area that rarely sees more than 2 feet a year. This, as rainfall in flood-weary Central Texas continued and flood water surrounded homes in 29 counties.

Statewide,the week of flooding has forced at least 4,000 people to evacuate, killed at least eight people and caused tens of millions of dollars in damage. Its also cut off normal lines of communications to some areas and that’s where ham radio was called in.

On Friday, July 5th, the FCC issued an edict declaring two parcels of spectrum -- one on 40 meters and the other on 75 as off limits to all but those stations handling flood emergency traffic for 72 hours. Those frequencies were 7.285 MHz during daylight hours and 3.873 MHz at night. Amateurs not directly involved in the emergency communications were required to stay at least 3 kHz away from these frequencies until the order is rescinded. The FCC cancelled the order at 1700 UTC on Monday, July 8th. But as we go to air, hams involved in Texas ARES, along with other volunteer groups, are still providing assistance to the flood ravaged areas.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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More on this story as information is made available. (FCC, ARRL Bulletins, Internet postings, other sources)

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RESCUE RADIO: AZ HAMS STAND DOWN AS WILDFIRE IS CONTAINED

After weeks of battling the largest wildfire in Arizona history, ham radio has stood down and firefighters from around the country are being reassigned to other states or sent home. This, as the half-million acre Rodeo Chedeski blaze was finally contained on Sunday, July 7th. And hams have gone home. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale has the rest of the story:

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SATERN, which by the way stands for "Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network was probably the most visible ham radio communications group involved with the giant Rodeo Chedeski firestorm. SATERN was active throughout the emergency providing assistance to The Salvation Army in it's disaster relief mission. The Salvation Army was assigned by the State of Arizona to be responsible for receiving all material donations. It also was responsible to distribute these supplies to any agency or group requesting them. The SATERN net, operated on 7.265 MHz dayside and 3.990 MHz evenings It finally stood

down and released the frequencies when the shelters closed down and their services were no longer needed.

What SATERN did not do was to handle health and welfare messages into and out of the area. That job fell to ARES and the Red Cross and both responded as expected. A-R-E-S used several High Frequency nets, local repeater communications and the Cactus Radio Network intertie to handle hundreds of tactical and health and welfare messages.

Another group deserving mention is the Kachina Amateur Radio Club. It was activated on June 18th handling communications for the Navajo Emergency Operations Center and shelters set up for the evacuation of all evacuation areas at that time. The Kachina Amateur Radio Club was on the air in support of the shelters through June 30th.

As the fire peaked in late June, more than 4,400 personnel -- most of them firefighters -- were working to corral the blaze. That number has been reduced to about 1100 now that the fire is fully contained.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP, in Scottsdale Arizona.

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As we go to air, the firefighters still on the scene are busy mopping up smoldering embers top insure no new eruptions take place. In some areas, crews are already at work seeding the burned land to help minimize the effects of erosion from the coming monsoon rain season. (ARNewsline™ from various sources)

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RESCUE RADIO: EAS WORKING WELL IN THE ARIZONA WILD FIRE EVACUATIONS

The E-A-S system woked well in Arizona during the recent Rodeo Chedeski wildfires. According to reports in the CGC Communicator, Navajo and Apache County EAS woked almost flawlessly in ordering evacuations during fires. About 30,000 people were evacuated at the height of this emergency. (CGC Communicator)

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From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WV8AR repeater srerving Putnam County West Virginia.

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AWARDS: JOSH ABRAMOWICZ, KB3GWY, NAMED ARNEWSLINE™ “YOUNG HAM OF THE YEAR”

The nominations are in and the committee has reached a decision on this yearsAmateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. And now its time to share that decision with you. And who better to make the announcement than the 2001 Young Ham of the year. Pareick clark, KC8BFD. introduces us to yet another young ham who is keeping the hobby alive:

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He is 17 years old. An 11th grader at Central Catholic High School in Reading Pennsylvania and an Eagle Scout. And less we forget, he loves bringing new young hams into the hobby through the scouting program. And for those reasons and many more, Amateur Radio Newsline has named Josh Abramowicz, KB3GWY, as its 2002 Young Ham of the Year.

Josh was away at a scout camp when the committee reached its decision. We finally got him on the phone and this was his reaction when we told him the news:

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Abramowicz reaction audio
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According to the nominating form, Josh Abramowicz became interested in ham radio because of his parents and the Boy Scouts. His dad is Mark NT3V and his mother is Suzanna NZ3G. Josh says that for him, becoming a ham was in the cards:

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Abramowicz: I got into it [Amateur Radio] through them when they brought the stuff [ham station out years later after it had lied dormant for awhile. They hooked it up and I just could not keep my hands off of it As a matter of fact, I used to sneak up and just dial up and down the bands just listening to stuff sometimes."
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His parents also gave Josh a good reason to get his ham ticket:

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Abramowicz: "After the year years went by they said: 'Why don't you go and get your license – and by the way – if you don't get your license you are not getting a drivers license. I said O-K."
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Talk about incentive licensing but in short order Josh had his Technician ticket. But it was his involvement in the Boy Scouts, a scouting Jamboree and a chance to operate K2BSA that really started his ham radio career:

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Abramowicz: "So I looked into what was required on the application. Of coarse you had tio be a licensed Amateur Radio operator. By then I had my Technician license and I really started pushing for my General license. That's where I am now, studying for the Extra license."
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As a member of the K2BSA staff at Fort A.P. Hill in Virginia, Josh helped to demonstrate ham radio to the 35,000 Scouts attending the event. He also helped in the training of some 400 Scouts who earned Radio Merit Badges at the gathering.

But thats not all. Another achievement credited to KB3GWY is that of organizing a scouting Amateur Radio Venture Crew with the Hawk Mountain Council in his hometown of Reading. PA. What is a Venturing Crew? Josh explains:

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Abramowicz: “Its kind of like the Explorer program. It involves boys and girls over the age of 14 until you become an adult. It’s a completely separate program designated to high adventure kind of things – not your normal, average camping trips but more involved things like Philmont Treks and summer camp kinds of things or the Florida Sea Base would be considered high adventure.”
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Josh presented his idea for a radio Venture Crew to the Frankford Amateur Radio Club and obtainded its support as the sponsoring organization. He then convinced the Hawk Mountain Council leadership to use space in a new science center at its headquarters for a perminant Amateur Radio station. This station will soon be available to campers the year round.

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Abramowicz: “Its up here on the mountain. The propagation will be absolutely great. I’m expecting some really, really good DX from up here and we have high hopes. As a matter of fact, we are going to be doing a demonstration up here this weekend on Saturday. We are going to have some of the Venture Crrew kids up. Just fiddle around with to see whats open and see what we can find. Get the kids on and let them talk a little bit. Maybe a 2 meter set-up. And I think that the Cub Scouts are up that weekend. And they will be checking us out during their free time. They are up for a Super Cub Weekend.”
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Josh Abramowicz, KB3GWY, will receive his Young Ham of the Year Award plaque at the Huntsville Hamfest in Huntsville Alabama on Saturday August 17th. His trip to the hamfrest is a gift from Vertex Standard Corporation which wiull also be prssenting Josh with a gift of its Yaesu brand ham radio gear. Josh will also receive a week at Spacecamp Huntsville courtesy of CQ Magazine.

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The committee judging the award also name to runner-up finalists. They are Evan Anderson, KC0CWP, of Ashland Nebraska and Thomas Tenaglia, K3TAT who lives in West Chester Pennsylvania. Both will receive a certificate of appreciation from the award sponsors. (ARNewsline™)

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REMEMBERING THE PAST: HEIL DONATES SPECIAL MICS TO QUEEN MARY AMATEUR STATION

A special presentation of ‘commemorative microphones’ honoring the operators of the Queen Mary ocean liner Amateur Radio station will be made on

Saturday, July 27th. This, by by Bob Heil, K9EID, the President of Heil Sound Ltd..

The Queen Mary is permanently docked in Long Beach California. The ship is a popular tourist attraction as is its Amateur Radio station, W6RO, which operates daily from the historic Queen Mary Wireless Room. And it is in that Wireless Room that the presentation will be made.

According to K9EID, the new microphones are being custom manufactured for the Wiress Room. He adds that each is an exact replica of the broadcast mic’s used during the years the Queen Mary was at sea. (Heil Sound release)

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HANDI HAMS: EXTRA CLASS TAPES NOW AVAILABLE

The Handi Hams have announced that the Extra Class Question and Answer pool, valid through 2006, is now available in an MP3 audio CD and in two track tape for its blind members. If you need a copy, contact Handi Ham headquarters at area code 866-426-3442 or sewnd an e-mail request to secretary@handiham.org. Again, yopu must be a Hamdi Ham member to qualify for this recording. And Handi Hams also has announced that work continues on the main body of the ARRL Extra Class License Manual in audio format for its blind members as well. (Handi Hams)

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PROMOTING HAM RADIO: CQ MAGAZINE TAKES ON “THE HUMAN RACE”

CQ magazine has been named the Official Journal of "The Human Race." “The Human Race" is a planned educational television series in which two amateur radio operators will participate in a global "road rally." Amateur Radio Newsline’s Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has an in depth look at the show and how it will work:

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How does it work? Simple. There will be two ham radio contestants. One ham will head East and the other West from Kansas City Missouri beginning in July of 2003. Over the next six months the hams will travel around the world but using only transportation that is volunteered by other amateur operators that the ham competitors meet along the way. The race will end in a location roughly halfway around the world where the paths of the two competitors cross.

But thats only part of the story. Along the way, each racer will encounter a series of pre-selected "ham hosts." These are people who have expertise in a particular area of amateur radio. They not only play host to the competeing amateur, but also are interviewed by the competitor about their area of specialty and the role ham radio has played in their lives.

William Desjardins, W1ZY, is the shows producer. He says that " 'The Human Race' is based on the premise that Amateur Radio is inherently a human activity. As such, technology is a tool used by people around the world to connect and communicate with each other.”

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Desjardens: “People who use the Internet, and use chat rooms and send video pictures to each other -- and engage in instant messaging and so forth -- these people are prime candidates to become amateur Radio operators.”
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By way of technology, each competitor will be outfitted with advanced communications systems, including amateur stations. Each will also be accompanied by a TV production crew and tracked using the Global Positioning System and APRS. This information will be displayed on a constantly updated website enabling hams and others around the world to follow the progress of the race making it a competition that everyone can be a part of.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.

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For its part, CQ will publish a series of articles and updates written by Human Race Producer Desjardins. It will also provide updates and additional information on its website.

The tentative schedule calls for the completed 8-part series ready to air in the fall of 2004.For more information on "The Human Race," see the program website at www.home.earthlink.net/~bdesj but soon to be moved to http://www.humanrace.org (CQ)

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BREAK 2

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UPCOMMING EVENTS: MUSEUM SHIPS WEEKEND

Some interesting upcoming events that you will want to know about. We start off with Museum Ships Weekend. That’s the 20th and 21st of July and word that The U-S-S Salem Amateur Radio Club will be on the air as K1USN. During Museum Ships Weekend each participating vessel will be on the air for 48 hours and the idea is to work as many of them as you can In the case of the U-S-S Salem, a certificate will be available for working ten or more event stations during the event. For more information and a QSL address please take your web browser to www dot qsl dot net slash K1USN. (Via e-mail)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: HIGH ALTITUDE HAM RADIO BALLOON LAUNCH SUCCESS

EOSS 57, the Edge of Space Sciences Amateur radio group of Colorado successfully launched and recovered 3 high altitude balloons on June 22nd. THis, using Amateur Radio APRS and DF techniques to track and recover the payloads. According to several Internnet postings, he balloons carried high altitude experiments, camera's and fast scan amateur television to an altitude

in excess of 80,000 feet. The launch took place in DeerTrail, on I-70 east of Denver, with the balloons taking a general North easterly track. The landings occuring near the Fort Morgan Colorado area. The Montana Space Grant Consortium, and Iowa State University Habet crews launched with EOSS and tracked the balloons to touchdown. More information is on the web at www.eoss.org. (EOSS Release)

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INTERNATIONAL - AUSTRALIA: VNG GETS 6 MONTH REPRIEVE

The Australian standard time and frequency station VNG, which was scheduled to close down on the 30th of June, has received a six-month reprieve. The station will now close down on the 31st of December 2002. The postponement came about following complaints from Radio VNG users. However, the commission that agreed to the postponement has also insisted that the VNG Users Consortium provide a voice announcement for broadcast on the station from mid-July, advising all users of the new closing date. (Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL – CANADA: PERMISSION TO JAM

The Canadian military and police departments have been authorized to block radio and mobile phone signals if necessary during the G8 Summit and during the Pope's visit to Toronto in July. A Royal Canadian Mounted Police spokesperson told szeveral newspapers that the move was essential to ensure the safety and security of those attending both events. This is the first time legal provisions against the interference of radio communications have been overridden in Canada. (Published news reports)

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DX

In DX, word that SP3GVX, who operated from HF0POL in 1997 and 2000 will spend a year at the Hornsund Base on Spitsbergen starting in July. His new callsign is JW0HU. There is no QSL information available at this time. (GB2RS)

Also, SV1BRL will be active again portable from Kefalonia Island from July until mid-September. He welcomes bureau QSLs, but please note that they should be routed through the French REF Bureau, marked DPT 33. Do not send cards through the Greek QSL bureau. (GB2RS)

And a new RSGB QSL Bureau sub-manager has been appointed for the holders of Foundation Licences in Scotland. Those are the new MM3 series of callsigns now being heard on the air. The person taking on the post is Mr R Simpson, GM7NZI. His addxress is 53 Jedworth Avenue, Glasgow , Scottland, post code G15 7QE. (RSGB)

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INTERNATIONAL – UK – A SECOND CHANCE FOE DIGITAL TV

Still in the U-K, an attempt is being made to revive that nations terrestrial digital TV industry. This, following the collapse of ITV Digital, the company that held the license. According to the Netherlands based Media Network e-newsletter, the U-K's Independent Television Commission considered four bids to take over the license, and has decided to award it to a consortium consisting of the British Broadcasting Company, British Sky Broadcasting and transmission services provider Crown Castle Communications. But the question remains as to whether or not the new consortium be able to restore confidence in the British digital television industry. More is on the web at http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/features/html/uk020705.html (Media Network)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE FUTURE OF DIGITAL TV: PART 4

And speaking of digital television, this week we take a look at transmission systems and who is providing a digital picture to you. Again, from the pages of the D-X Audio Service magazine, here is Editor Fred Vobbe, W8HDU.

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This is an audio only report. No text available. Please download MP3 audio at www.arnewsline.org.
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By the way, for those of you not aware Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, is not only the editor of the DX Audio Service magazine. He is also the Chief Engineer at WLIO television in Lima Ohio where he das a first hand working knowledge of whats happening in the world of Digital TV. (NRCDXAS)

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Before we go, we want to pause a moment to thank each and every one of you for spending part or all of the past 25 years with Amateur Radio Newsline. We also take this oportunity to pledge to do all we can to continue to bring you these weekly newscasts for another 25 years and maybe longer. You are the reason that we exist. We thank you for your encouragement, for your generousity and your ongoing support.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron N8TMW and I'm Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73, and we thank you for listening."
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1133. rocket telemetry over radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-12 21:03:28 UTC
From: imranakbar@akbars.net
Message-ID: <2969830b.0207121303.2af06023@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3918

I'm making a model radio and plan to send video/gps telemetry over the radio... the problem is this stuff is really expensive and I need to get a TNC for my ground station and a packet radio on the rocket, which would have to be small. any suggestions? Secondly, can good high gain antennas be built by hand? Thirdly, what types of wires/connectors would you need to connect a serial ports (rs232) to a radio?

1134. rocket telemetry over radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-12 21:21:46 UTC
From: imranakbar@akbars.net
Message-ID: <2969830b.0207121321.44892ea2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3919

I am planning to launch a model rocket with gps telemetry and color video transmitted over the radio ... my problem is i need a cheap tnc for ground control and a small radio with serial? rs-232 input. Would it be possible to find the cables/connectors and high-gain antennas?

1135. FA: TNC/KPC-9612 & 50W VHF Xcvr IC-281H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-13 05:10:29 UTC
From: k6sde <no_sp@m.pse>
Message-ID: <3D2FB647.98E397EE@m.pse>
Source record: 3920

Great TNC/Controller, 9600/1200 baud

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1366376376

or
KPC-9612

Very nice 50W 2 meter XCVR, IC-281H, with 440 receiver
(works on 9600 baud)

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1366428399

or
IC-281H 50 W VHF Xcvr

Thank you for looking.

1136. Looking For A Copy Of YAESU FT-530 Manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-13 07:47:25 UTC
From: Bill Roberts <kf6djv@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <gWQX8.505198$cQ3.45033@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 3921

Hello!

I am trying to find a manual for the YAESU FT-530. I own the radio, but my instruction manual has disappeared. If someone could email me a PDF of the manual, that would be greatly appreciated!

73's Bill Roberts
KF6DJV

1137. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-13 15:37:10 UTC
From: W4PHM <w4phm@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <agphk3$5tk$1@slb7.atl.mindspring.net>
Source record: 3923
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Neither, get yourself an Icom

"James Alexander" <jwalex77@NOSPAM.hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:Xns924789F471A75jwalex77@63.240.76.16...
> I'm a "casual" ham -- meaning that I'm only on the air when I'm on
> the road, at the fair, camping, fishing, etc. (I'm not interested in
> a base or mobile rig). I'm trying to decide between a Kenwood TH-F6A
> and a Yaesu VX-7R. Of the two, which would you choose and why?

1138. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-13 15:50:31 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-1307021150570001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3922
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

In article <agphk3$5tk$1@slb7.atl.mindspring.net>, "W4PHM"
<w4phm@arrl.net> wrote:

> Neither, get yourself an Icom
>
> "James Alexander" <jwalex77@NOSPAM.hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:Xns924789F471A75jwalex77@63.240.76.16...
> > I'm a "casual" ham -- meaning that I'm only on the air when I'm on
> > the road, at the fair, camping, fishing, etc. (I'm not interested in
> > a base or mobile rig). I'm trying to decide between a Kenwood TH-F6A
> > and a Yaesu VX-7R. Of the two, which would you choose and why?

For occasional use, get the one with the most features for the least
price. If you get serious or you think that you might, then I would go
along with Icom suggestion.

Steve WB4CZR

1139. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-13 15:59:47 UTC
From: Alan Beagley <abeagley@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <3D304E73.4020904@optonline.net>
Source record: 3924
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

What about the Icom IC-T81A specifically. Although discontinued, there are still a few around.

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Alan

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>>and a Yaesu VX-7R. Of the two, which would you choose and why?

1140. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-13 16:00:35 UTC
From: Alan Beagley <abeagley@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <3D304EA3.7000906@optonline.net>
Source record: 3925
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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> price. If you get serious or you think that you might, then I would go
> along with Icom suggestion.

1141. W32.Elkern.4926

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-13 18:23:05 UTC
From: testing_h@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <2c2cf14c.0207131023.c4ef0ef@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3926
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.misc,alt.lasers,alt.comp.virus,rec.radio.amateur

Hey -

Anyone else had problems with this one ? The weird part is, I only noticed it when I tried to do a test download of a file (mirror.exe) from my website .

Some variants activate on 13th September and 13th March, I seem to have come across a new variant which activates on 13th July .

Just in case - I erased the file and replaced it with a zip file with the same (non executable) files in . Works fine .

Either that or NAV is false alerting on the file - which I find hard to believe, as the file just contains three files, an ASM file, a HEX file and a text file, as a self-extracting ZIP .

I saved it to disk and submitted it to SARC - just in case .

-Andre

1142. Re: Which HT would you choose?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-14 14:17:06 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-1407021017320001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3927
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

In article <3D304EA3.7000906@optonline.net>, Alan Beagley
<abeagley@optonline.net> wrote:

> What about the Icom IC-T81A specifically. Although discontinued, there
are still a few around.
>
> -=-

I'm not sure at this time as I have not keep up with the latest rigs. If
the price is right and the features sufficient, go for it.

Steve WB4CZR

1143. Re: W32.Elkern.4926

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-14 17:50:46 UTC
From: testing_h@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <2c2cf14c.0207140950.665fed54@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3928
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.misc,alt.lasers,alt.comp.virus,rec.radio.amateur

testing_h@yahoo.com (Andre) wrote in message
news:<2c2cf14c.0207131023.c4ef0ef@posting.google.com>...
> Hey -
>
> Anyone else had problems with this one ? The weird part is, I only
> noticed it when I tried to do a test download of a file (mirror.exe)
> from my website .
>

I checked using the infected copy (on disk) and comparing it with the
known clean copy I made of the same file , found that the size
increaed by 3584 bytes . There is a good chance that this is in fact
W32.Elkern.3587 not 4926 .

BTW has anyone ever seen this before , where Klez is definetely *not*
present ?
I figure that either it is date activated on 13th July (when I first
noticed it) or it somehow got onto my site after I uploaded the file .

-Andre

1144. Re: Fuckup Lee still thinks Marshall County, Alabama is the same as Marshall County, West Viriginia

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-14 17:53:58 UTC
From: AB8MQ <kc8jbo@alt.net>
Message-ID: <agsfhk$45g$0@pita.alt.net>
Source record: 3929
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,rec.radio.amateur,misc,alt.2600,alt.fuckup.stagger-lee

Puerto Rican refugee wife beater "'Fuckup Lee" <SLee@houston-hunks.com> whined
in message news:ags31u$pl7$0@pita.alt.net...
>
> On Sun, 14 Jul 2002 08:31:08 -0400, AB8MQ <dumbass@alt.net> wrote:
> : From: "AB8MQ" <kc8jbo@alt.net>
> : Newsgroups: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,alt.2600
> : Subject: Re: Wiseman is all Fuckup Lee can talk about
> : Followup-To: rec.radio.amateur.misc,alt.radio.scanner.flame_fest,alt.2600
>
> And why \ /

Translation: "Wahhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhhh!!!!!!!"

Don't cry so, Fuckup, did you figure out that you royally fucked up when you
said:

FUCKUP Lee" <SLee@houston-hunks.com> geography idiot and imbecile fucks up as
usual when he thinks Marshall County, Alabama and Marshall County, West Virginia
are the same place in message <afvsc2$6aa$1@pita.alt.net>:
" Then what is at http://www.geocities.com/skywarncanwarn/ doodle brain?
It sure looks like the Marshall County ARES, and it even has a place to send
email."

In the above quote you are trying to pass off a Alabama ARES website for one in
West Virginia. You treally need to quit mixing your freebase cocaine and the
alcohol, Georgie Girl.

Then you fucked up by saying KB8RPI was in charge of the Marshall County , WV
ARES......wrong again, dumbass.

But DO continue your little dance, and make sure you shreik "I'm a preettty
layyyydy!" when you reply.

> If people really wanted the word to get back to Marshall County's ARES
> folks, they would simply contact KB8RPI.

That's fine, except KB8RPI isn't in charge of Marshall County ARES, you stupid
fuck.
[end restore]

As usual, you FUCK UP royally, spinchter-expert. KB8RPI hasn't been in charge of
the Marshall County ARES for over a year.

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"Fuckup Lee" <SLee@houston-hunks.com> wrote from his personal "hands on knowledge" from being a rimjobber in message <vroom.vroom.woger@houston-hunks.com>:
"The human anal sphincter muscle is naturally contracted when relaxed"

1145. Re: W32.Elkern.4926

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-14 18:48:08 UTC
From: Axel Pettinger <api@epost.de>
Message-ID: <3D31C768.E062042A@epost.de>
Source record: 3930
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.misc,alt.lasers,alt.comp.virus,rec.radio.amateur

Andre wrote:
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> I checked using the infected copy (on disk) and comparing it with the
> known clean copy I made of the same file , found that the size
> increaed by 3584 bytes . There is a good chance that this is in fact
> W32.Elkern.3587 not 4926 .

No. An infection with Elkern doesn't result in an increase of the size
of an infected file because Elkern is (like CIH) a cavity infector. That
means the size of an infected file doesn't change.

See also <http://www.Europe.F-Secure.com/v-descs/elkern.shtml>.

Regards,
Axel Pettinger

1146. Re: W32.Elkern.4926

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-15 02:22:18 UTC
From: KomsBomb@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <1289d9c3.0207141822.5dda8bba@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3931
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.misc,alt.lasers,alt.comp.virus,rec.radio.amateur

No.If there is enough cavity for it to insert to,the file size won't
change.But if there is not enough cavity,it will append itself to the
file tail.
Because Elkern.4926's virus code size is neerly 5K,so there are many
chance that there is not enough cavity in the host file,and the host
file will be enlarged.But the size the file increased are not certain.

Pardon my poor English
Koms Bomb

Axel Pettinger <api@epost.de> wrote in message news:<3D31C768.E062042A@epost.de>...
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>
> Regards,
> Axel Pettinger

1147. SM0VPO Homepages Update

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-15 08:38:55 UTC
From: Harry SM0VPO <someone@microsoft.com>
Message-ID: <agu2ma$gt2$1@newstoo.ericsson.se>
Source record: 3932

Hi all,

It's been quite a few months since I last posted anything here, in fact it is about a year ago. Harry's Homebrew homepages is now located at http://w1.859.telia.com/~u85920178/ where there are no banners to slow down the traffic. There are no outages due to excessive traffic since there is no bandwidth limit. It is just a bloody dificult URL to remember!

During the past year, I have been hounded by demands for payment to "freeservers.com" (or should that be "FEEservers"?) so I have moved the page http://sm0vpo.8m.com to http://w1.859.telia.com/~u85920178. Some of you may be aware that PMP3.NET was hacked and eventually closed down due to the misuse. This took away my free homepages that were kindly hosted by PMP3.NET.

There is a new messageboard too, also without banners. A new FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) and FASQ (Frequently Asked Silly Questions). All the old ones have been kept, but some new ones have been added, Eg: "How many volts do I need to kill someone?". During the past 12 months, Harry's Homebrew homepages (http://w1.859.telia.com/~u85920178/) has had quite a few additions. Some of the latest project examples include:

EPROM AF Generator (still under construction).
WAV to EPROM conversion.
Many synthesiser projects.
DC-DC voltage converters.
150mW FM TX (88MHz - 108MHz) (technique Ok for 145MHz).
Synthesised FM TX (88MHz - 108MHz) (technique Ok for 145MHz).
Antenna Z bridge for Spectrum Analyser.
Antenna Questions & Answers (Eg: "Size isn't everything!").

H.H.H. now has just three sites, but no mirror sites. they are all located at:

PROJECTS - http://w1.859.telia.com/~u85920178
Unlimited bandwidth, Full site, No advertising, SWE

VISITORS CIRCUITS - http://hem.spray.se/lythall
Selected visitors submitted circuits - SWE

PDF LIBRARY - http://hem.passagen.se/sm0vpo
Unlimited bandwidth, Full site, SWE

So perhaps I may have the pleasure of a visit from you. Whatever you do, have fun with antennas, homebrew, radio and electronics in general. Very best regards from Harry Lythall - SM0VPO

1148. Re: Live Practice Morse Code Steaming on Internet???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-15 13:14:32 UTC
From: Gerry Cechony <noway@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <YUzY8.3148$kP6.2165@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3933

I suggest you visit www.g4fon.co.uk and download his free Koch-method
training program.

It will send you random strings of characters or canned files or words
selected in random order from a common word list, at speeds you can select.

If your intention is to pass the 5 wpm test and then forget about the code,
you can run it at a character speed of 15 wpm with a code speed of
one-third. This will give you 5 wpm Farnsworth method practice, as on the
exam.

Bit if you intend to progress in code proficiency, then I *URGE* you to use
the Koch method to go straight to 20 wpm copying ability. You'll then avoid
the "painful plateau" around 10-13 wpm that we who learned by the
traditional method have had to overcome. (Let me know if you'd like
elaboration on the "painful plateau".)

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Regards,
Gerry, W2GER
g[underscore]cechony [at] hotmail [period] com

"Xtx99" <xtx99@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020711175226.07668.00000093@mb-da.aol.com...
> I have a lowly tech license and want to move up. Is anyone aware of
Internet
> sites with live practice Morse code streaming? I came across several
practice
> MP3 files...but they're of course no good to use a 2nd time. I was told
that
> if I had an HF rig I could tune into a couple stations with constantly
updated
> practice code. Is there anything similar on the Internet? Thanks for
your
> suggestions.

1149. HELP!!!! with alliance HD73

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-15 18:26:29 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <ptEY8.38255$DS.982986@twister.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3934
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.dxing,alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

HELP!!!
i got my HD73 installed on my tower and i forgot the wire sequince for the
rotor cable could someone help is it

123
456

or
123
654
if anyone knows this rotor please let me know which is correct
thanks

1150. Re: W32.Elkern.4926

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-15 18:30:51 UTC
From: testing_h@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <2c2cf14c.0207151030.73fc2ec7@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3935
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.misc,alt.lasers,alt.comp.virus,rec.radio.amateur

KomsBomb@hotmail.com (Koms Bomb) wrote in message
news:<1289d9c3.0207141822.5dda8bba@posting.google.com>...
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Thanks for the information ! :)

-Andre

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> >
> > Regards,
> > Axel Pettinger

1151. Re: HELP!!!! with alliance HD73

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-15 19:26:42 UTC
From: "R. Scott" <washingtonham@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <3D3321F2.41E12D65@yahoo.com>
Source record: 3936
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.dxing,alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Dennis Kaylor wrote:
>
> HELP!!!
> i got my HD73 installed on my tower and i forgot the wire sequince for the
> rotor cable could someone help is it
>
> 123
> 456
>
> or
> 123
> 654
> if anyone knows this rotor please let me know which is correct
> thanks

I have the same rotor, when I get home from work Ill look it up for you.

Rick KF7QZ

1152. Which hand held??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-16 21:48:40 UTC
From: MacGyver <na@sorry.com>
Message-ID: <ah241gnob1@nic.grnet.gr>
Source record: 3937
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

I am between icom IC-Q7A and Alinco DJV5

I would like to receive as much as possible (wide freq range).
Transmitting is secondary...

Any suggestions??
TIA

1153. Re: Which hand held??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-16 22:10:05 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwknospam@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <ah25mp$pii0q$1@ID-139484.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 3938
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

"MacGyver" <na@sorry.com> wrote in message news:ah241gnob1@nic.grnet.gr...
> I am between icom IC-Q7A and Alinco DJV5
> I would like to receive as much as possible (wide freq range).
> Transmitting is secondary...
> Any suggestions??
> TIA
>
I see the DJV5 is listed at 199quid
for 50quid more you could get the Kenwood TH-F7
http://www.wsplc.com/

Steve Terry

1154. Re: Which hand held??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-16 22:13:26 UTC
From: Dan Conti <dconti@nj.rr.com>
Message-ID: <aU0Z8.74665$Wi.22186092@twister.nyc.rr.com>
Source record: 3939
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

Quid?

"Steve Terry" <g4wwknospam@tesco.net> wrote in message
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> "MacGyver" <na@sorry.com> wrote in message
news:ah241gnob1@nic.grnet.gr...
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>
> Steve Terry
>
>

1155. Re: Which hand held??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-16 22:39:47 UTC
From: Steve Terry <g4wwknospam@tesco.net>
Message-ID: <ah27ef$pg7u6$1@ID-139484.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 3940
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

"Dan Conti" <dconti@nj.rr.com> wrote in message
news:aU0Z8.74665$Wi.22186092@twister.nyc.rr.com...
> Quid?
>
Slang
Buck = Dollar
Quid = Pound sterling

Steve Terry

1156. radio connector

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-17 00:12:01 UTC
From: imranakbar@akbars.net
Message-ID: <2969830b.0207161612.4f9d35c9@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3941

What kind of connector does an alinco handheld radio have, rj45 or 8-pin?
plus can microphone sockets do both input and output?
thanks

1157. Re: radio connector

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-17 02:14:08 UTC
From: RaOuL <russ@bit-net.nospam.com>
Message-ID: <Oq4Z8.1146$_T4.85341@news.bit-net.com>
Source record: 3942

My Alinco DJ-195 handheld transceiver has a 1/8" jack for audio out and a 3/32" jack for mic in. As far as I know this has become the de-facto standard for HT's. BTW, the 195 has been a great radio for me - I'd buy another one without hesitation.
73,
Russ KB1GKN

"Imran Akbar" <imranakbar@akbars.net> wrote in message news:2969830b.0207161612.4f9d35c9@posting.google.com...
> What kind of connector does an alinco handheld radio have, rj45 or 8-pin?
> plus can microphone sockets do both input and output?
> thanks

1158. Where Can I Find Power Connector For Kenwood Mobile???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-17 05:16:25 UTC
From: xtx99@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020717011625.26138.00000137@mb-mj.aol.com>
Source record: 3943

Any help on where I can find this connector is appreciated (it's the power cord that connects to the other half of the power cord that is attached to the Kenwood dual band TM-G707A mobile 2 m/ 70 cm radio). I would prefer to just purchase quick disconnect female terminals, crimp them onto 10 gauge wire and insert them into this connector (instead of splicing them onto a power cord with the wire and quick disconnect female terminals already attached). I have placed 2 pictures of the connector on my webpage (http://members.aol.com/xtx99/index.html)and would appreciate and suggestions. Radio Shack didn't have it. I'm saving the original power cord for base operation and temporarily carefully inserting disconnects into the connector for mobile operation (thank God for fuses!!) Thanks

1159. Re: Which hand held??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-17 06:43:49 UTC
From: testicles26hb896@lineone.net
Message-ID: <Xns924E4EF79FFA526hb896lineonenet@130.133.1.4>
Source record: 3944
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,alt.radio.scanner.uk,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.scanner

According to Bill Gates, on Tue 16 Jul 2002 11:13:26p "Dan Conti"
<dconti@nj.rr.com> knelt at the big white telephone, and heaved this into
alt.radio.scanner.uk:

Quid, squids, dosh, moola, readies, folding, spondooliks, greenbacks,
ponys, monkeys, etc...

>Quid?
>
>"Steve Terry" <g4wwknospam@tesco.net> wrote in message
>news:ah25mp$pii0q$1@ID-139484.news.dfncis.de...
>> "MacGyver" <na@sorry.com> wrote in message
>news:ah241gnob1@nic.grnet.gr...
>>> I am between icom IC-Q7A and Alinco DJV5
>>> I would like to receive as much as possible (wide freq range).
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>> I see the DJV5 is listed at 199quid
>> for 50quid more you could get the Kenwood TH-F7
>> http://www.wsplc.com/
>>
>> Steve Terry
>>
>>
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>

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Mark Russell ''If you enjoy it - it's probably illegal''
Guzzi V50 Monza.
26HB896
OSOS#16 (Please castrate to e-mail)

1160. IC 706 MII ATU

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-17 12:52:02 UTC
From: Denis O' Flynn <denisf@eircom.net>
Message-ID: <XCeZ8.2782$zX3.2242@news.indigo.ie>
Source record: 3945

Hi Wanted ATU for the ICOM 706MK II

ei6hb@eircom.net

1161. wireless lan connection ,1700ft

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-18 00:51:56 UTC
From: ey3y3@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <21194370.0207171651.6ccd54bb@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3946

any suggestions on how to setup a wireless lan connection between two houses 1700ft apart? 802.11b is out of the question i believe because of too many trees.

thanks,
eyi

1162. Re: Which hand held??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-18 03:25:31 UTC
From: rng-1187@webtv.net
Message-ID: <25617-3D36352B-113@storefull-2297.public.lawson.webtv.net>
Source record: 3947

go with the DJ--V5----it has 200 memory channels, nice loud audio, fits in the palm of your hand----i am very satisfied with mine!!

1163. Thomson-CSF 550L.....info sought

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-18 14:40:00 UTC
From: jt1uk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020718104000.01930.00001069@mb-mo.aol.com>
Source record: 3948

A shot in the dark maybe but could anyone out there please give me a lead on operating/service data for the above HF tranceiver, or info about the market they were produced for &c.

Thanks

John

(John Tyers NG12)

1164. Use cable TV amplifier on FM antenna ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-18 18:25:42 UTC
From: Parangles <cmarley01@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <GKDZ8.50183$Wt3.34582@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3949

Hi Guys,
I have a Radio shack #15-1171 ' cable bi-directional amplifier' -
' 5-40 54-1000 Mhz ' , left over from an old TV problem that has been
cured, that is not being used.
Could this be used to boost the incoming signal from my bipole antenna in a
tree, going to my 1970's FM stereo broadcast receiver ?

A simple, non theoretical, non technical reply please. I am ignorant
in this area.

Thanks lots.

1165. Re: Use cable TV amplifier on FM antenna ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-18 20:45:18 UTC
From: Arthur Jernberg <stubby@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <yNFZ8.150507$iB1.8508946@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3800

Yes!! the FM Broadcast Frequencies happen to be in the area between Channel
6 and Channel 7.
"Parangles" <cmarley01@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:GKDZ8.50183$Wt3.34582@rwcrnsc53...
> Hi Guys,
> I have a Radio shack #15-1171 ' cable bi-directional amplifier' -
> ' 5-40 54-1000 Mhz ' , left over from an old TV problem that has been
> cured, that is not being used.
> Could this be used to boost the incoming signal from my bipole antenna in
a
> tree, going to my 1970's FM stereo broadcast receiver ?
>
> A simple, non theoretical, non technical reply please. I am ignorant
> in this area.
>
> Thanks lots.
>
>

1166. Schematic required for Daiwa SS-606 power supply

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-18 22:08:02 UTC
From: Jason <t1speed@rogers.com>
Message-ID: <MPG.17a105d8df6f5dc198968a@nntp>
Source record: 3801
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

If anyone has this could they please e-mail it to me ASAP? If you have one of these supplies, and you have the manual, I beleive it's part of the manual--I can't seem to locate mine.

Thanks in advance!

Jason VE3TYG

1167. 2m/70cm Rig In House & Antenna On Car????????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-19 03:53:46 UTC
From: xtx99@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020718235346.05854.00000490@mb-fm.aol.com>
Source record: 3802

I just got my first radio....a Kenwood TM-G707A 2m/70cm dual band. I currently have it installed in my car along with a Radiall/Larsen NMO Magnetic Mount with 12' of coax (which is made with a thin layer of plastic on the magnet to prevent scratching the car) & a Diamond 2m/70cm radialless mobile NR770NMO antenna. The antenna instructions say that the antenna "employs a DC ground structure so that whip element and ground section (outer shell of the impedance matching section) are short-circuited, and center conductor of the feedpoint connector and whip element are isolated."
I'm not sure if I want to use the radio for anything other than moble use. However, I would like to spend time with the radio and learn its many menus. I'd prefer to learn the features of the radio in my home rather than my car. Can I bring the radio in the house, run it off an appropriate power supply but still use the magnetic mount antenna on the car temporarily? If I can, I'd have to of course use a double female connector and 25' of additional coax. I'm not sure if I can add additional coax cable without throwing the SWR off. (I don't have an SWR meter to check). Also, would I have to use the same type cable for the extension or could I use higher quality cable? (I'm aware that the loss is high at VHF and UHF frequencies). I'm also concerned that because the antenna is made short-circuited (see paragraph above) and because the antenna mount isn't touching the car body (because of the plastic covering on the magnet) that I must use the common battery ground off my car to get a proper SWR. If I can use my magnetic mount in this fashion, is it necessary that I keep it on the car??...Perhaps I should temporarily sit it in the attic instead. Thanks for any suggestions.

1168. FA: Syntor X9000 UHF (440)450-470 100W 32 Channel w/A9

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-19 04:55:52 UTC
From: mikemost@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20020719005552.02129.00000109@mb-mu.aol.com>
Source record: 3803

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1367283161

73's,
Mike
KC2GFG/SKYWARN - NJ

1169. FA: Motorola Spectra A5 45W 128 Channel Dashmount radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-19 04:56:24 UTC
From: mikemost@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20020719005624.02129.00000110@mb-mu.aol.com>
Source record: 3804

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1367309772

73's,
Mike
KC2GFG/SKYWARN - NJ

1170. Re: 2m/70cm Rig In House & Antenna On Car????????

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-19 10:37:17 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3d37e7b9.30851683@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3805

On 19 Jul 2002 03:53:46 GMT, xtx99@aol.com (Xtx99) wrote:

>I just got my first radio....a Kenwood TM-G707A 2m/70cm dual band. I currently
>have it installed in my car along with a Radiall/Larsen NMO Magnetic Mount with
>12' of coax (which is made with a thin layer of plastic on the magnet to
>prevent scratching the car) & a Diamond 2m/70cm radialless mobile NR770NMO
>antenna. The antenna instructions say that the antenna "employs a DC ground

>antenna mount isn't touching the car body (because of the plastic covering on
>the magnet) that I must use the common battery ground off my car to get a
>proper SWR. If I can use my magnetic mount in this fashion, is it necessary
>that I keep it on the car??...Perhaps I should temporarily sit it in the attic
>instead. Thanks for any suggestions.

Put the mag mount on top of a metal file cabinet. You may lose a
little efficiency because it is less than the optimal size ground
plane, but not enough to worry.

Extended coax could create headaches for you.
Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1171. Re: Where Can I Find Power Connector For Kenwood Mobile???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-19 22:44:15 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <3D0_8.170$dC.77@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3806

This is the standard "T" connector being used on almost all new amateur radios drawing 10 amps of less

Any of the on-line amateur suppliers, every hamfest that I have been to this year, every dealer that advertises in CQ or QST (e.g. HRO, AES) or www.packetradio.com has this connector.

73 de w9gb

"Xtx99" <xtx99@aol.com> wrote in message news:20020717011625.26138.00000137@mb-mj.aol.com...
> Any help on where I can find this connector is appreciated (it's the power cord
> that connects to the other half of the power cord that is attached to the
> Kenwood dual band TM-G707A mobile 2 m/ 70 cm radio). I would prefer to just
> purchase quick disconnect female terminals, crimp them onto 10 gauge wire and
> insert them into this connector (instead of splicing them onto a power cord
> with the wire and quick disconnect female terminals already attached). I have
> placed 2 pictures of the connector on my webpage (
> http://members.aol.com/xtx99/index.html)and would appreciate and suggestions.
> Radio Shack didn't have it. I'm saving the original power cord for base
> operation and temporarily carefully inserting disconnects into the connector
> for mobile operation (thank God for fuses!!) Thanks
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1172. FA: TNC/KPC-9612 & 50W VHF Xcvr IC-281H

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-19 23:02:10 UTC
From: k6sde <spam_m@e.not>
Message-ID: <3D389A73.8A89CB21@e.not>
Source record: 3807

LAST FEW DAYS...ends Monday, 7/22/02.

Great TNC/Controller, 9600/1200 baud (with cables for the
IC-281H below)

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1366376376

or
KPC-9612

Very nice 50W 2 meter XCVR, IC-281H, with 440 receiver
(works on 9600 baud)

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1366428399

or
IC-281H 50 W VHF Xcvr

Win the auction for both and I pay the shipping.

Thank you for looking.

1173. Re: Where Can I Find Power Connector For Kenwood Mobile???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-19 23:23:48 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <8c1_8.326$dC.140@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3808

Here is the specific page on the K4ABT web site "Buck" Rogers'

$ 3.00 a piece

http://www.buxcommco.com/page4/bccpage4.htm

"Xtx99" <xtx99@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020717011625.26138.00000137@mb-mj.aol.com...
> Any help on where I can find this connector is appreciated (it's the power
cord
> that connects to the other half of the power cord that is attached to the
> Kenwood dual band TM-G707A mobile 2 m/ 70 cm radio). I would prefer to
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> operation and temporarily carefully inserting disconnects into the
connector
> for mobile operation (thank God for fuses!!) Thanks
>
>
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1174. Orginal IC-706 Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-20 18:49:24 UTC
From: "Chris M. Bridges" <n4fan@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <hdi_8.68614$1q2.7819678@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 3809

Hello,
Im Looking for the original software to control the Icom IC 706 MK1
from Icom or the software called AMREG.
Their site seem to be down.

1175. GaAsFET preamp

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-20 20:16:44 UTC
From: Bizon <bizongod@poczta.fm>
Message-ID: <ahgp94$mo6$1@news.tpi.pl>
Source record: 3820

Hi !
What do You think about preamps on
MGF1302 on 2m and 70cm ?
Which construction of preamp is the best ?
I know thant DJ9BV has constructed
preamp on MGF1302 on 70cm, but
i can't find it. Could somebody send me
somethink about this ?

Thanks
Bizon

1176. Allied SX-190 and AX-190 service manuals

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-21 04:38:26 UTC
From: Mark Rehorst <rehorstmark@netscape.net>
Message-ID: <igekju090bc0cjq99uu9qdsesl5n55ufmb@4ax.com>
Source record: 3810

I have placed copies of Alled SX-190 service manuals in a .rar file on
my homepage at

http://home.attbi.com/~akikoi/wsb/Allied_SX-190_Service_Manuals.rar

They won't be there long, so get them while you can...

MR

1177. Kenwood MC-50 mic pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-21 12:51:07 UTC
From: thal70 <dkolseth@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <%6y_8.75560$DS.2129598@twister.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3811

Would someone have the pinout diagram for a Kenwood MC-50 microphone. Info very much appreciated!
Thanks!

1178. help identify schematic symbol ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-21 16:05:32 UTC
From: Parangles <cmarley01@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <gZA_8.596606$352.122089@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3812

a) I am trying to follow what appears to be a European schematic and the electrolytic capacitors are indicated as two parrallel bars , one as an outline and the other as solid black. Which is positive ?

b) The diode is represented as a triangle with one point touching a bar- The actual diodes only marking is a bar on one end of the body. If I match the actual bar with the schematics bar, will it be in the correct position/direction ?

Thanks !!

Chris

1179. Re: Kenwood MC-50 mic pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-21 16:12:54 UTC
From: thal70 <dkolseth@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <a4B_8.76107$DS.2170231@twister.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3813

Got my answer in an email from Ian, K6SDE
Thanks! thal70

"thal70" <dkolseth@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
news:%6y_8.75560$DS.2129598@twister.tampabay.rr.com...
> Would someone have the pinout diagram for a Kenwood MC-50 microphone. Info
> very much appreciated!
> Thanks!
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1180. ARNewsline 1301 - July 19 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-21 17:54:46 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020721135446.29816.00000203@mb-ch.aol.com>
Source record: 3814

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1301 - July 19, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1301 with a release date of Friday, July 19th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

The United States takes the gold at W-R-T-C 2002 but ham radio growth in the U-S appears to be standing still. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1301 coming your way right now.

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RADIOSPORTS: N5TJ AND K1TO MAKE IT A THREE-PEAT

The Lakers did it in Los Angeles in basketball. Now the Radiosport team of Jeff Steinman, N5TJ, and Dan Street, K1TO have made it three in a row as they win the World Radiosports Team Championship games in Finland. Dave Bell, W6AQ, attended the games. He is just back and we asked him to describe the event:

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Dave Bell W6AQ: “I got to go out with the camera and watch them in action. And I saw some of thje worlds best contesters and I realized how they win contests: Thst is, they stay focused totally on what it is that they are doing for 24 hours. And other than swap chairs with a co-pilot so that the co-pilot becomes the pilot, those guys are focusted totally on this contest. For me, it is a lesson on how to concentrate and, if you are really into it – how to win.”
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N5TJ and K1TO operating as OJ3A fended off a very close challenge from Igor Booklan, RA3AUU, and Andrei Karpov, RV1AW, who claimed the silver. The Americans had a score of 1,626,900 to the Russians 1,620,760. A difference of only 6140 points. W6AQ says that regardless of the numbers, these operators are dedicated to the sport of radio:

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Dave Bell W6AQ: “The two winners this year, Jeff Steinman, N5TJ, and Dan Street, K1TO, also won last year and they won the one before that. And it was not surprising to me, ehen I came to their shack and watched them operate.”

“When I showed up there, Dan Street was the second operator and he noticed me come in and he nodded. I brought the camera up and came right around in front of Jeff Steinman. I was basically between him and his co-pilot. In fact I was actually looking at his face and I am not sure to this day that he even knew I was there – so concentrated was on listening and talking.”

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The German team made up of Frank Grossman, DL2CC, and Bernd Och, DL6FBL, finished third to claim the bronze with a score of 1,614,591. All of the scores are on the web at www.wrtc2002.org. No announcement yet as to the venue for the 2004 WRTC games. (ARNewsline ™)

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HAM RADIO STATS: NO GROWTH

The numbers are in and the word is -- stagnant. That about sums up the growth in ham radio since the introduction of a restructured United States Amateur service April of 2000. Amateur Radio Newsline's Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, takes a close look at the numbers and what they mean:

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The numbers come from the interpreter of the numbers. And W5YI Report Editor Fred Maia in Dallas Texas says that growth in ham radio is at a standstill.

Maia has been right on the money in his predictions over the years, and he looks back at the past two years in his newsletter. And in it, Fred says that there are just about the same number of Amateur Radio operators under FCC license now as there were in the spring of 2000. That's when the service was restructured.

In April of 2000 there were 678,539 holders of Amateur licensees in the United States and its possessions. In June of 2002 the number was 680,342. Taking into account attrition from people not renewing for any number of reasons, that's a net gain of only 1803 new hams over the past two years. Not allot, but there is a good reason. Keep listening.

Maia breaks the numbers down by license class. In April of 2000 there were 50,077 holders of Novice tickets. In June 2002 there were only 39,930. A loss to the license class of 10,147 but not necessarily gone from ham radio. Why? The numbers for General and Extra kind of tell the story. General is up by 27,037 and Extra by 20,282 since restructuring. Chances are that most of the new holders of General class are probably the results of upgrades by Novices and Technician's wanting a wider range of high frequency operating privileges. This is born out by looking at the numbers for the Tech license which is also down by about the amount General and Extra are up.

So its really been two years of ham radio musical chairs and that was not unexpected. It takes time for as massive a change as the restructuring of 2000 to settle in. It will be the next set of numbers a year from now in 2003 that will really tell the story.

Are we up or are we down? In 12 months we should have the answer.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.

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The complete set of statistics can be found on pages 7 and 8 of the July 1st W5YI Report. (W5YI Report)

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SPECTRUM: FCC PROPOSES ALLOCATION AND SERVICE RULES
FOR THE 71-76, 81-86, AND 92-95 GHZ BANDS

New rules may soon be on their way for a set of super high frequencies. David Black, KB4KCH has the details:

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The FCC has proposed a Notice of Proposed Rule Making designed to promote commercial development and growth of the millimeter wave. This, in the spectrum in the 71-76, 81-86 and 92-95 GHz bands.

This millimeter wave band is also known as the Extremely High Frequency or E-H-F band. It refers to radio signals between 30 and 300 Gigahertz, where the wavelengths range between 1 and 10 millimeters. Research sponsored by the U.S. government has led to the verge of being able to use millimeter waves economically.

One advantage of using this frequency band is that the beams can be tightly collimated, easing channel sharing. Another important consideration is increased path loss due to oxygen and atmospheric absorption which can perhaps be viewed as a positive in terms of frequency reuse for wide dispersal applications such as high speed data transfer.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m David Black, KB4KCH.

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If enacted, the new rules will be under Parts 15 and 101 of the Commission's Rules. (FCC, CGC Communicator)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N7KSO repeater System serving all of Northwest Arizona.

(5 sec pause here)

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HIGHER AMATEUR VANITY CALL SIGN FEE EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 9

The FCC has officially set $14.50 as the cost to apply for, renew or reinstate an Amateur Radio vanity call sign. According to the ARRL Letter, a Report and Order adopted July 3rd says that the new fee schedule will become effective for applications received on or after September 9th.

The current vanity fee is $12 for the 10-year license term. The FCC had proposed the new, higher fee in a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking released March 27th aimed at setting all Fiscal Year 2002 fees. Again, the new higher fee ineffective on September 9th. (ARRL, FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ACTS ON CALIFORNIA REPEATER INTERFERENCE ISSUE

A California ham appears to have decided to quit ham radio rather than fight allegations that he was the source of interference to a repeater. FCC Special Counsel for Amateur Radio Enforcement, Riley Hollingsworth, explains:

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Riley Hollingsworth: Hollingsworth: “We opened an investigation of interference allegations against Steven Holt, KE6WSJ, of West Hills California. That matter involves interference to the WB6VBV repeater in Palmdale California. We have been contacted by Mr. Holt. He informed us that on the advice of his attorney, he was submitting his license for cancellation.” (RAIN, FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC ACTS ON ANOTHER CALIFORNIA REPEATER INTERFERENCE ISSUE

But Holt is not the only individual involved in a California repeater related issue that the FCC is looking at. Another is Leobardo C. Coronado, KC6PXL, of Sun Valley California. Again, the FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth:

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Hollingsworth: “Coronado is coordinated for operation on 145.120 Mhz but links to 224.160 Mhz on which there is a coordinated repeater receiving interference.”
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Hollingsworth’s letter to Coronado said that the FCC had evidence that the repeater operator had taken no action to alleviate the problem even though he had been advised of the interference numerous times. The FCC gave Coronado 20 days from receipt of its letter to write back and advise the regulatory agency about the coordination status of his repeaters and what has been done regarding any complaints. (RAIN, FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC QUESTIONS CALIFORNIA CLUB CALL SIGNS

And in yet another California matter, the FCC has requested that Long Beach resident Richard Crow, KB6IAT, justify a pair of club call signs for which he is listed as trustee. The calls are WB6FCC for an organization identified as the Richard Burton Amateur Radio Club and WB6JAM for a club called Jammers for Jesus.

The FCC gave Crow thirty days from the date of its June letter to provide justification as to the need for each of these call signs. He was also directed to furnish the Commission with a list of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the members of the two clubs. Also, the meeting times and dates within the past year, proposed meeting times and locations within the coming year, and copies of minutes, if any, taken at meetings within the past three months for each club. Crow was told that the FCC would cancel the two call signs if he did not file a satisfactory response. (FCC)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: WORLDCOM AND UU-NET

Even if WorldComm files for bankruptcy it will have little effect on the way the Intrernet operates. This even though the troubled financially strapped telecommunications giant controls a big chunk of it. Jim Damron, N8TMW and Jeff Clark, K8JAC, have more:

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WorldComm officials say that even if the company goes under, the Internet will keep running. This, after market analysts predict WorldComm will file for bankruptcy following a major accounting scandal.

The telecom giant handles half of the Internet's U-S traffic through a subsidiary known as U-U- Net. Newly elected WorldCom C-E-O John Sidgmore says that U-U-Net -- will keep going no matter what happens to the WorldCom parent corporation.

According to Sidgmore, U-U-Net handles more than 50 percent of U-S Internet traffic. This includes about 70 percent of all e-mails sent within the United States and half of e-mails sent in the world. Thousands of companies and agencies in more than 100 countries rely on WorldCom for Internet access, including the United States Department of Defense and the U-S Department of State.

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The bottom line. The Internet and your e-mail are safe even if WorldComm goes away. (Published news reports)

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SWAP MEETS: HAM LICENSE A MUST FOR SELLERS AT TRW SWAPMEET

The TRW Radio Club passes along a reminder notice that every seller at its famed monthly Swapmeet must show a copy of his or her valid Amateur Radio license in order to receive a seller's permit. This restriction is for sellers only. Those coming to browse or make purchases are not subject to this rule. The T-R-W swap-meet takes place monthly in the Los Angeles California area but draws buyers and sellers nationwide. (TRW-ARC Via e-Mail)

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UPCOMING EVENTS: HAM RADIO AT THE SOAP BOX DERBY

Ham radio will be a part of the 65th running of the All-American Soap Box Derby. This, in Akron Ohio on Saturday July 27th. To commemorate the event, members of the Cayahoga Falls Amateur Radio Club will activate special events station W8D from 2000 to 2400 hours U-T-C from
July 22nd to the 26th. On the day of the race W8D will be on the air from 1200 to 2000 U-T-C. Look for this one on 7.275, 14.250, 21.275 and 28.340 MHz and Q-S-L to Post Office Box 14, Cayahoga Falls Ohio 44222. (Press release)

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UPCOMING EVENTS: FORT TUTHILL HAMFEST

And finally one not in Ohio. How about Flagstaff Arizona the weekend of July 26th, 27th and 28th. That’s when the Fort Tuthill Hamfest and Arizona State ARRL convention takes place at Flagstaff Airport oat exit 337 on Arizona State Highway 17. Aside from the usual hamfest fare, the Fort Tuthill gathering has something very special to offer. The clean air of the Arizona mountains and a truly breathtaking majestic nighttime sky. And less we forget, there is the famed Fort Tuthill Saturday evening Barbecue that makes people want to come back for more.

And less we forget, there will also be a wedding taking place at this years Fort Tuthill Hamfest. The groom is James Pastorfield, KB7TBT. The bride is Laura Lindstrom, KD7KYO. They met during an emergency in which the local ham community was involved. Not a ham at the time, Laura was assigned to ride in Jame's vehicle. The wedding is scheduled for 5 PM, Saturday, July 27th. They hope to honeymoon at the Grand Canyon. You can see lots more at www.acra-az.org on the world wide web. (ACRA, ARNewsline™)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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POST-IT NOTES CAUSE PROBLEMS

Warning: The effect of Post-It Notes on archived material is devastating. According to the Scripps Institution of Oceanography Library in La Jolla California the glue on Post-It notes eventually hardens and leaves a film that becomes acidic. This results in eventual discoloration and brittleness of the paper. In fact, Post-Its left for more than a month or two on already brittle paper such as old books can cause the paper to tear when the notes are removed. (CGC Communicator)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: LANCE BASS IN TRAINING FOR ISS VISIT

Will a teen heart-throb be the next tourist in space? Possibly as Russian space officials soften their previously tough line on the much-hyped plans for a commercial flight to the international space station this October by pop singer Lance Bass.

Bass has already undergone at least two medical examinations and is now doing a round of intensive training at Russian space facilities. Two weeks ago, the 23 year old member of the group N SYNC began training in Russia at the Star City Cosmonaut Center near Moscow. A few days later, Music Television News reported that as part of his training, Bass would be dropped into the Black Sea for an emergency-splashdown test. He was also to be left in a Russian forest without food and supplies. He must also become fluent in the Russian language,

spacecraft flight control systems and standard operations of the International Space Station as a pre-requisite to fly.

The decision by the Russian agency to explore the possibility of Bass' flight was based on the idea that the $20 million ride would have one or more corporate sponsors. So far there is no word as to whether or not Bass would be willing to get his ham license and operate the ham station on board the I-S-S. (Published reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: VE1QJ APPOINTED ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Maurice Le Blanc, VE1QJ, has been appointed as an Assistant Director for Radio Amateurs of Canada’s Atlantic Region. Le Blanc lives in St. Basile, New Brunswick province and is retired from the Université de Moncton where he taught English as a second language. He is also fluent in French, English, Spanish and German and has been licensed as an amateur since 1950. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL: UK CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The UK results of the special Marconi Centenary Contest that took place in December last year have now been released. This was a 'one-off' event to commemorate the centenary of Marconi's first trans-Atlantic contact between Canada and Great Britain.

The overall U-K winner was Dave Cree, G3TBK, with a total of exactly 400 VE QSOs. The UK winner of the 100-watt section was GI0KVQ with 149 Canadian contacts, while G4ELZ made an excellent 110 VE QSO’s and took the QRP prize. (GB2RS)

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HAM HELP NEEDED: QSL’S LOST AS LIGHTNING STRIKES

Back here in the U-S-A, Don Moss, NL7CO reports over the VHF Reflector that Scot Sharp, KD5OMJ, was away on vacation when his house was hit by lightening. Moss says that it appears as though it entered the house through the ham shack modem line.

As a result of the ensuing fire, KD5OMJ has lost all of his logs and QSL cards and he is asking hams who had a QSO with him, to please send him a new QSL. This, because without logs he is not able to determine who he has talked with. Both Sharp and Moss are residents of Lawton Oklahoma. (VHF Reflector)

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DX

In D-X, word from Ron Moorefield, W8ILC, that he along with K8FL, K8LEE, N9NS, W8GEX and WA8NJR will be operating between 40 and 6 metres as C6AJR from Eleuthera, Bahamas, between the 24th and the 31st of July. Modes will be on SSB, CW and PSK31. The team will also be in the IOTA Contest operating as C6DX.

QSL is via N8QET. (W8ILC)

Also word that DL4FCH, will be active, as DL4FCH/P from Pellworm Island from the 20th of July to the 2nd of August. Operation will be mostly on CW, and will include the IOTA Contest. (RSGB)

And word that W2SGX has become a VUCC awards checker in the central New York area. Carl says over the VHF Reflector that he will be available to check cards for VUCC awards at the Fingerlakes Hamfest on Saturday August 3rd. The venue is the Tompkins County Airport in Ithaca, New York from 10:00 AM until 2:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time. (VHF Reflector)

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SUPPORT FUND REPORT WITH ANDY JAREMA, N6TCQ

And finally this week, its time for another Support Fund report from Administrator Andy Jarema. This time N6TCQ is not asking for funds. Just some advice:

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Hi. I'm Andy Jarema, N6TCQ, your Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund Administrator.

For the past several months, a number of you have written to us -- asking why we are not using on-line payments for Amateur Radio Newsline donations? Well, we have given it a lot of thought. And each time, we end up asking ourselves the same question: does the price tag to establish and maintain this service justify the additional cost?

No matter whose services we use, there are set-up and monthly usage fees for the secure e-commerce web server. And our bank will charge us 3 to 5 percent for every credit card transaction they process.

The answer is simple. Supporters would have to donate enough using this method to break even. Only after that could your generosity be put to work.

So for the next several weeks we'll be asking for your input. Would you use your credit card on-line to support ARNewsline?

Send your answer to newsline@arnewsline.org. If you are reading the Internet version, just click on the link shown. mailto: newsline@arnewsline.org.

Type "YES" in the subject line if you would use this service. If not, type "NO." Feel free to make any comments in the body of the e-mail. We'll tally the results and report to you in a future Amateur Radio Newsline report.

Remember, Amateur Radio Newsline is a 501(c)(3) corporation. Your donations are tax-deductable and your support is always appreciated.

That's it for this week. I'm Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.

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In case you missed those instructions you can find them in the print edition of this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report. (ARNewsline™ Support Fund)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Roy Neal, K6DUE, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

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TERMINAL BREAK

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RAIN Promo Here

1181. Expaned RX mod for Midland / Alan CT-79

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-21 19:17:36 UTC
From: Jason <t1speed@rogers.com>
Message-ID: <MPG.17a4d26831d3f6fe98968b@nntp>
Source record: 3815
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.mods,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Does anyone have any mods for the Midland / Alan CT-79 handheld? I've searched a few places on the net but can't find any info for this model. Specifically, I can't enter frequencies in the 440 range, only the 430 range.

Any help would be appreciated.

Thanks,
Jason VE3TYG

1182. Get an @_____.ismycallsign.com email address...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-22 01:00:43 UTC
From: Karl Treier <karl.treier@ismywasmy.com>
Message-ID: <3d3a741c_8@news.meganetnews.com>
Source record: 3816

substitute your callsign is the space, visit www.ismywasmy.com to find out more.

1183. Corvette Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-22 02:15:09 UTC
From: Stan <svs6920@home.com>
Message-ID: <NUJ_8.86168$Wt3.61072@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3817

Where can I purchase a good quaity antenna mount (for 3/8 X 24) to fit on the new version of the Corvette.....1997-2000 year.

Thank you
Stan

1184. FA: Icom 281H like new

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-22 04:59:25 UTC
From: k6sde <no_sp@m.xxx>
Message-ID: <3D3B9130.3D3B87E0@m.xxx>
Source record: 3818

A very nice IC-281H - 2 meters.

Works great on packet at 1200 and 9600 baud.

50W, original microphone, mobile bracket (never mobile),
power cable, manual.
Also receives 440 MHz.

Auction ends Monday evening. Take a look.

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?MfcISAPICommand=ViewItem&item=1366428399

or
IC-281H

Thanks for looking.

1185. RAE Classes in Cape Town, South Africa

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-22 10:31:49 UTC
From: Andrew ZS1AN <zs1an@remove-this.qsl.net>
Message-ID: <3D3BDF15.4C295568@exinet.co.za>
Source record: 3819

Classes for the Radio Amateur's Examination will be held on Tuesday evenings from 19h00 to 21h00 at the Cape Town Amateur Radio Centre clubhouse in Chess Rd, Rondebosch. The course starts on 30th July and will run until 15th October. The exam is on Thursday 17th October. If you would like to attend then please email me for further information.

Andrew ZS1AN
Course Convener

1186. Kenwood TM741A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 00:03:32 UTC
From: kb8ywy@neo.rr.com
Message-ID: <12afe2f.0207221603.1473ab9f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3821

I don't have a service manual for this radio and I would like to know what the adjustment post are on the 2 meter modual my friend has an IFR sevice monitor and a bird and he wanted to make some power and audio adjustments to it. could any one be of help.
Thanks, in advance Allen, KB8YWY

1187. Re: TS-950 finals, what voltage?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 00:31:51 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <Xt1%8.79997$_51.68848@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3822

Appears to be a 50 volt transistor (courtesy of RF Parts)

MRF429 59.93
MRF429-MP MP ** 139.00
MRF429-MQ MQ ** 278.00

** 50 Volt part

"pastryking" <elsmootho@videotron.ca> wrote in message
news:cwL_8.9789$364.387107@weber.videotron.net...
> Can anyone please tell me what voltage I need to set on my TS-950SD finals
> (MRF-429's)? The collector of Q8 sits at 75 volts no load, what should the
> fuse/Q8 emiiter be set at with VR1?
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>

1188. Re: TS-950 finals, what voltage?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 00:35:11 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <3x1%8.80032$_51.69463@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3823

Vcc = 50 volts
1.5&#65533;30 MHz, HF/SSB

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RF Transistor Po W Pin W Gps/Freq
Package Style
MRF429 150 7.5 13 211-11
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1189. Re: Kenwood MC-50 mic pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 01:16:15 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <z72%8.96605$Wt3.78996@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3824

Answer is on the Kenwood web site :-)

gb

"thal70" <dkolseth@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
news:%6y_8.75560$DS.2129598@twister.tampabay.rr.com...
> Would someone have the pinout diagram for a Kenwood MC-50 microphone. Info
> very much appreciated!
> Thanks!
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1190. Re: Kenwood MC-50 mic pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 01:16:56 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <c82%8.96608$Wt3.79196@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3825

If you lost your MC-50 manual this is available"on-line" at
http://www.mods.dk

Select "Kenwood" and then "Manuals". Entire MC-50 manual is there, just
print it out.

"thal70" <dkolseth@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
news:a4B_8.76107$DS.2170231@twister.tampabay.rr.com...
> Got my answer in an email from Ian, K6SDE
> Thanks! thal70
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> "thal70" <dkolseth@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
> news:%6y_8.75560$DS.2129598@twister.tampabay.rr.com...
> > Would someone have the pinout diagram for a Kenwood MC-50 microphone.
Info
> > very much appreciated!
> > Thanks!
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1191. Amateur Radio Experimenter's Club in MA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 01:54:18 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020722215418.19771.00000083@mb-dd.aol.com>
Source record: 3826

For those interested in Amateur Radio Experimentation, there is a new club, the Amateur Radio Experimenter's club, in Reading, MA. There will be a meeting this Wednesday, July 24, at 7:00.

The experimenter's club would be open to anyone interested in electronics, any licence class, or unlicenced welcome. Hams, students, professionals are all welcome to join. If you are in the area and are interested in such a club, you can email me. If you have any questions, you can post them to the forum.

The purpose of the club will be to work on circuit design projects, antenna setups, radio measurements, radio direction finding and other aspects of Amateur Radio experimentation.

The meetings are tentatively held alternate Wednesdays at 7:00 at 49 Pleasant St., Reading, MA.

The meetings are at the 49 Pleasant St (Reading Senior Center), Reading, MA

Here are the directions to the Reading Senior Center:

Merge onto I-95N
Take exit 39- RT 28 Reading, Main St
Merge onto RT 28, Main St.
Keep going straight, see Mcdonald's on right side
Keep going straight,
You will see a big traffic light pillar in the middle of the road.
Take a right onto Pleasant St. (Pleasant St is directly across a CVS store on the left side.)
Reading Senior Center is at 49 Pleasant St on the right side.

1192. IFR 1200S Service Monitor w/ LTR Functions + Tracking Generator

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 04:05:10 UTC
From: omicron@icnet.net
Message-ID: <3b6cff4b.0207222005.1999e1c8@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3827
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Saw this on eBay, and thought someone might be interested.

Hurry though, auction ends 7/25!

IFR 1200S Communications Service Monitor. All the standard features of
the 1200 are included, plus Spectrum Analyzer, Trunking / LTR test
functions, (Option 14)and Tracking Generator. (Option 12)

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1751756819

Good luck!

Bob

1193. Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 05:28:54 UTC
From: xtx99@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020723012854.00473.00000115@mb-da.aol.com>
Source record: 3828

Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3
I would like to get my child interested in getting her license; I got my tech license recently. The question I have is: Can my non-licensed daughter hold and press the microphone by herself and talk assuming I'm right there as the "control operator" and that she (or I) identifies that I am in fact the "control operator" and my call sign is identified? I believe she would get more interested in the hobby if she tried it herself several times. I *think* the issue comes down to whether or not her pressing the mic is tantamount to her "operating" the radio.
A "control operator" is defined by 47CFR97.3 as "An amateur operator designated by the licensee of a station to be responsible for the transmissions from that station to assure compliance with the FCC Rules." Under this definition, I'm still the "control operator" because I'm the one there (at the "control point") responsible for the transmission and "manipulating the operating adjustments in the station to achieve compliance with the FCC Rules."
Any thoughts on this issue are appreciated.

1194. Schematic for Icom IC-720A ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 21:36:59 UTC
From: OZ1BV <"oz1bv oz1bv.dk">
Message-ID: <3d3dccc3$0$16781$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 3829
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

Hello!

Can anybody help me to locate a schematic for an Icom IC-720A ?

Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian

1195. Re: Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 21:40:14 UTC
From: RaOuL <russ@bit-net.nospam.com>
Message-ID: <73k%8.1150$_T4.88628@news.bit-net.com>
Source record: 3830

As I understand and practice the rules I believe that it is an acceptable practice to allow a non ham to operate the key of your station provided that you are there and in control of what goes out onto the air. I often allow my son to hold and key the microphone of my radio while he is talking to my wife (she is also a ham) but I do remain in control of what he does by monitoring his every action and being always prepared to remove the microphone from his hand. I also ID our transmissions and state that my station is engaged in third party traffic. So far it seems to be working, my son has an interest in earning his license and becoming a courteous ham. I hope your daughter finds our hobby to be enjoyable also...

73,
Russ - KB1GKN

"Xtx99" <xtx99@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020723012854.00473.00000115@mb-da.aol.com...
> Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3
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Rules."
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>

1196. Re: Schematic for Icom IC-720A ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 22:03:34 UTC
From: Roger Basford <Basford@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <7Q6Q8iG2KdP9EwjS@btinternet.com>
Source record: 3835
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

In message <3d3dccc3$0$16781$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>, OZ1BV
<oz1bv@oz1bv.dk.invalid> writes
>Hello!
>
>Can anybody help me to locate a schematic for an Icom IC-720A ?
>
>
>Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian
>
>
Brian,

There is a Yahoo group for this radio, I'm sure you'll find someone
there to help.

73
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Roger Basford
(G3VKM)

1197. Re: Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 22:07:44 UTC
From: AB2HR <ab2hr@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <8grrju0jffce6hscvhdf5bgsupnfki3gs4@4ax.com>
Source record: 3831

On 23 Jul 2002 05:28:54 GMT, xtx99@aol.com (Xtx99) wrote:

>Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3
> I would like to get my child interested in getting her license; I got
>my tech license recently. The question I have is: Can my non-licensed
>daughter hold and press the microphone by herself and talk assuming I'm right
>there as the "control operator" and that she (or I) identifies that I am in
>fact the "control operator" and my call sign is identified? I believe she
>would get more interested in the hobby if she tried it herself several times.
>I *think* the issue comes down to whether or not her pressing the mic is
>tantamount to her "operating" the radio.
> A "control operator" is defined by 47CFR97.3 as "An amateur operator
>designated by the licensee of a station to be responsible for the transmissions
>from that station to assure compliance with the FCC Rules." Under this
>definition, I'm still the "control operator" because I'm the one there (at the
>"control point") responsible for the transmission and "manipulating the
>operating adjustments in the station to achieve compliance with the FCC Rules."
> Any thoughts on this issue are appreciated.

I guess this isn't covered in the Tech License exam anymore. Yes,
your daughter CAN hold the microphone, she can PUSH the PTT button,
and she can SPEAK into the microphone when the transmitter is
transmitting. She can even initiate a contact should she so desire.
You are the control operator, your callsign, of course, must be used
to identify the station. You are responsible for the operation of the
station and the conduct of the operator.

Raymond Sirois AB2HR
SysOp: The Lost Chord BBS
607-733-5745
telnet://thelostchord.dns2go.com:6000

1198. REDIFON radio equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 22:35:01 UTC
From: m0mlw@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020723183501.27289.00000378@mb-mi.aol.com>
Source record: 3832

I am looking for infomation /circuit diagrams etc for a REDIFON GKR 206A Reciever Driver, ACU9 atu and a GA 480 100w amp. I wonder if any of you have heard of these beasts.

Martyn M0mlw
73

1199. Re: Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-23 23:21:00 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <wxl%8.1064$7t.1325796@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 3833

"Xtx99" <xtx99@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020723012854.00473.00000115@mb-da.aol.com...

As long as you are present and actively overseeing the operation, your daughter can operate on any mode permitted by your license. She would use your call sign. Just remember that you are responsible for what ever goes through your station.

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Roger Halstead (K8RI EN73)
www.rogerhalstead.com
N833R World's oldest Debonair? (S# CD-2)

1200. Re: TS-950 finals, what voltage?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-24 00:34:31 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <rCm%8.621430$352.132624@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3834

RF parts, RF transistors technical reference

Cutting it close??

gb

"pastryking" <elsmootho@videotron.ca> wrote in message
news:l%4%8.957$MH1.289393@weber.videotron.net...
> If the transistor is a 50V part, wouldn't that be cutting it a bit close?
> Did you get this number in a technical service bulletin?
> Thank you for your help...
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> "w9gb" <gregory.beat@attbi.com> wrote in message
> news:3x1%8.80032$_51.69463@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net...
> > Vcc = 50 volts
> > 1.5-30 MHz, HF/SSB
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> > RF Transistor Po W Pin W Gps/Freq
> > Package Style
> > MRF429 150 7.5 13 211-11
> >
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> > "pastryking" <elsmootho@videotron.ca> wrote in message
> > news:cwL_8.9789$364.387107@weber.videotron.net...
> > > Can anyone please tell me what voltage I need to set on my TS-950SD
> finals
> > > (MRF-429's)? The collector of Q8 sits at 75 volts no load, what should
> the
> > > fuse/Q8 emiiter be set at with VR1?
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1201. Detuning from presense of multiple antennas

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-24 08:28:48 UTC
From: drwells_sr@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <cb6e1b5e.0207240028.303d2ae0@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3836

I have a 55 foot tower with an A3S (3-ele Cushcraft tri-bander) on my lot. I wish to install a 80m Horizontal Loop. Based on available space, the tower and beam will be within the inside area of the square horizontal loop (68 feet each side). The loop will be positioned at 45 feet height. Will there be detuning issues with either antenna.....?

1202. Re: Question Regarding Non-Licensee Transmission and 47CFR97.3

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-24 15:09:19 UTC
From: Tom Hendricks <"tomh\\@comcas(no)(spam)t.net>">
Message-ID: <zqz%8.301774$lm2.15409157@bin2.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3837

This is exactly how I allowed my 13 year old son to get interested in
Amateur Radio - and after a week of playing with my HT and Station Rig,
he studied and got his Technican License. He now has his own HT!

-Tom-

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> definition, I'm still the "control operator" because I'm the one there (at the
> "control point") responsible for the transmission and "manipulating the
> operating adjustments in the station to achieve compliance with the FCC Rules."
> Any thoughts on this issue are appreciated.
>

1203. OLD CQ QST and other amateur books For Auction!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-24 22:26:59 UTC
From: ldbrewer@ldbrewer.com
Message-ID: <3d4229ec.2526696878@news-server.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3838

I am selling my personal collection of amateur radio and motorcycle related books, and magazines. All this stuff is up on eBay and here are some sample URLs:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1551865846

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1551866323

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1368530259

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1368530681

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1368526700

These are just a few of the dozens of listings I have regarding Amateur radio and other topics. If you go to one of these URLs, and click on the "view sellers other listings" link, you can see them all!

These items are from my personal collection, and I really need to sell them, so good luck bidding, and see you later!

1204. Antenna direction freeware program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-25 01:17:26 UTC
From: Bill Peterson <battle@netexecutive.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9255D0A688D2Fbattlenetexecutiveco@207.218.245.68>
Source record: 3839

I have placed out a new freeware antenna heading
reference program for fellow hams. See it at:

http://gulfcoastal.bizland.com/arss.html

1205. Re: OLD CQ QST and other amateur books For Auction!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-25 01:39:03 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020724213903.17857.00000558@mb-mn.aol.com>
Source record: 3840

I went to a hamfest and at one booth there was a big pile of CQ, Ham Radio Magazine, and QST magazines.

The price was very low. I noticed that no Hams were interested in getting the magazines. Eventually, the price was dropped to free and still you could not convince anyone to take them away.

True story. The Ham selling the magazine collection was part of the Ham Radio club I joined - so this can be verified. I managed to get the Ham Radio Magazine issues, didn't want the rest.

Seems that Hams don't want these magazines. If there was any interest, these magazines would be gone pretty quickly.

1206. FA Motorola Oncore GT+ receivers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-25 01:46:52 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <fMI%8.24554$uh7.5112@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3841

I don't know what I would do with all of these, but 100 Oncore GT+ receiver (great for tracking) are now for sale on eBay (Dutch auction), starting at $ 30

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1368087129

Happy shopping

Greg
w9gb

1207. cloning software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-25 02:44:17 UTC
From: t_stenbraaten@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3d3f65f9.1535770@news.vianet.ca>
Source record: 3842

Does anyone know if the cloning software for the IC-T7 work for the IC-T8A??

Tom

1208. Planned IOTA Activation: Dassen Island AF-064

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-25 14:34:37 UTC
From: Andrew ZS1AN <andrew@exinet.co.za>
Message-ID: <3D400C7D.39E12412@exinet.co.za>
Source record: 3843
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur.dx,alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.morse,alt.radio.amateur

Andrew ZS1AN will be operating from Dassen Island Lighthouse during International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend using the callsign ZS1AN/P. Dassen Island is the smaller and less accessible of the two islands in IOTA AF-064, the Western Cape Province South West group.

Andrew plans to operate from approximately 1600 UTC on Friday 16th August until 1200 UTC on Sunday 18th August. Mode will be primarily CW, operating on or around the following frequencies: 7026, 14026, 21026 and 28026 KHz. He will be designing a special QSL card with the relevant IOTA information for the occasion. Please QSL direct to PO Box 350, Newlands 7725, South Africa. If you would like a direct response then please include a green stamp or IRC. All other replies will be sent via the bureau.

Please note that the operation is weather dependant as the island can only be reached by small boat. Additional information can be found at www.qsl.net/zs1an/dassen.html.

1209. Re: Antenna direction freeware program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-25 20:31:39 UTC
From: GCS <battle@netexecutive.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9256A035B6627battlenetexecutiveco@207.218.245.68>
Source record: 3844

I have added another feature that calculates the
antenna heading to a chosen Grid. Version 3.2

> I have placed out a new freeware antenna heading
> reference program for fellow hams. See it at:
>
> http://gulfcoastal.bizland.com/arss.html
>

1210. Re: cloning software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-26 00:05:36 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3d4091f4.5760533@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3845

On Thu, 25 Jul 2002 02:44:17 GMT, t_stenbraaten@hotmail.com (Tom S)
wrote:

>Does anyone know if the cloning software for the IC-T7 work for the
>IC-T8A??
>
The RT Systems version does work both:

http://www.cloningsoftware.com/icom_template.cfm?cfid=268019&cftoken=19594897

It is likely that other brands will too.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1211. Questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-26 01:22:37 UTC
From: "Chris M. Bridges" <n4fan@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <hj109.17324$Og3.4980847@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com>
Source record: 3846

I been on the internet since 1994. Newsgroups just not the same, lots of question (supposed to be) But no one
bothers to try and answer.
I'm gone
Chris

1212. Vx-5r and earbud speaker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-26 19:46:26 UTC
From: Richard Dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns925798DFDE843jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32>
Source record: 3847

Has anybody used Yaesu's in-ear speaker/lapel mic combo (model# Mh-37 a4b). I'm curious about its performance. I purchased a cheap Workman brand equivalent, and I'm not happy with it (yeah, what did I expect, it's workman, but for $9 I thought I'd try). Thing is, there is a loud dull click noise that occurs any time the squelch is broken, at the end of a received transmission, and any time the PTT switch is pressed or released. The noise is almost painfully loud when the speaker is in my ear, and its volume doesn't change with the volume knob.

It seems like this would be a function of the radio and not the speaker, but I'd love to find out that the name brand accessory would somehow function better. So to summarize, has anybody used the Yaesu brand lapel mic/earbud combo, and did it work well for you?

Thanks
Ben

1213. Re: Questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-26 23:03:59 UTC
From: Frankie <frankie@comcast.org>
Message-ID: <zzk09.301594$iB1.15394493@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3848

Well I am just going to cancel my internet service. You have my complete
support in this matter.

"Chris M. Bridges" <n4fan@bellsouth.net> wrote in message
news:hj109.17324$Og3.4980847@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com...
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> question (supposed to be) But no one
> bothers to try and answer.
> I'm gone
> Chris
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1214. Need Manual for Rockwell Vertcal Mill

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-27 21:09:20 UTC
From: jolivares@pomona.edu
Message-ID: <908d4ca9.0207271309.6b5b9dab@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3849

I know this is not exactly Amatuer Radio related, but I am trying everything I can think of to find this.

I recently purchased a Rockwell series 21-100 vertical mill. I would like to do some maintenance on it, and would like to find a manual. If anybody out there has one, I would be willing to pay to have a copy made, and a moderate fee for the trouble. Please respond to this message if you can help. Thank you.

-Jeff
KF6FWH

1215. ARNewsline 1302 - July 26 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-28 06:51:18 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020728025118.16159.00001915@mb-fi.aol.com>
Source record: 3850

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1302 July 26th, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1302 with a release date of
Friday, July 26th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A giant solar flare causes problems on the High Frequency bands and a popular ARRL Director calls it quits. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1302 coming your way right now.

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PROPAGATION: X CLASS SOLAR FLARE CLOSES HF BANDS

If you have been wondering where all the signals you normally hear on the High Frequency bands have gone, we have the answer. A large flare on the Sun effectively closed them down. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks tells us about the solar eruption and what it could mean for ham radio:

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Solar flares come in all sizes, and the Astro Alert service says the latest ones are some of the largest. The E-newsletter says that the sunspot complex believed to be responsible for a July 21st X Class flare rotated fully into Earth's view on July 22nd. It announced its arrival by spawning a second and spectacularly powerful X Class 4.8 level eruption.

Solar Alert says that this latest flaring region has the potential to produce substantial effects on Earth over the next two weeks and we could see more than we have in the last 10 years. It all depends on whether or not the sunspot complex continues to pump out activity at the same rate that it is presumed to have produced over the last several days.

For radio hobbyists it means that there could be very little to hear on the bands from 1.8 to 30 MHz for a while. And, depending on the level of atmospheric ionization that takes place, it also could bring some unexpected long distance communications to 6 meters and above. If you have weak signal gear for the world above 50 MHz, keep and ear on frequencies like 50.110 and 50.125 MHz and be prepared to hear -- and to work -- the unexpected.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, in New Orleans.

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More on this story is in the Solar Alert URL at
http://www.spacew.com/astroalert.html. (WDX6AA)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: ARRL BOARD MEETS IN CONNECTICUT

The American Radio Relay League has held its 2nd meeting of 2002. It took place July 19th to the 20th in Windsor, Connecticut. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Cathy Anno, KB0FDU, has the details:

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Perhaps the biggest news came as the Board Meeting was getting ready to begin. Thats when the American Radio Relay League was named to receive a $181,900 homeland security grant from the U-S government to train Amateur Radio operators in emergency communication. The A-R-R-L was among several dozen nonprofit organizations designated to receive upward of $10.3 million in federal money to boost homeland defense volunteer programs. The grant, from the Corporation for National and Community Service Special Volunteer program, will provide free ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course training to 5200 volunteers nationwide, starting in 2003.

According to the ARRL South-Eastern Division E-letter, one issue that garnered a lot of conversation was the plan to remove the Section News columns in QST to the ARRL web-site. This proposal was presented last January but a decision was deferred for six months. Now the Leagues Directors, by a 9-6 vote, decided to approve the change.

Starting with the January 2003 issue of QST, columns from the 71 Section Managers will be moved to the web-site. ARRL staff will make provisions for those without web access, to have access to their own Section Managers column. The Board also voted to move the contest line scores out of QST and post them on the web as well.

ARRL's Development Director Mary Hobart, N1MMH, presented a new creative method of increasing member awareness. Soon, ARRL members will be asked to participate in a premium membership program. Various levels of membership will be created, like Diamond Club and Maxim Society. The higher level of participation the better the premium benefit received. Details on this program will be announced soon.

The board named Sherri Brower, W4STB, Vero Beach, Florida, as winner of the McGan Memorial Silver Antennas Award for Public Relations. Bower, who becomes Section Manager of South Florida on October 1st, was cited for her long-term commitment and dedication to present all aspects of amateur radio to the public. ARRL South Eastern Division Director Frank Butler, W4RH, will present the award to Bower at the Melbourne Hamfest in Melbourne Florida on September 14.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Cathy Anno, KB0FDU.

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For full coverage of the ARRL Board meeting take your web browser over to www.arrl.org. (ARRL S.E. Division E-Letter)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: WB8BGY RESIGNS AS GREAT LAKES ARRL DIRECTOR

And a big surprise happened Saturday July 20th during the ARRL Board of Directors meeting on. That’s where Great Lakes Division Director George Race, WB8BGY, of Albion, Michigan, unexpectedly tendered his resignation. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Fred Vobbe, W8HDU reports:

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George Race, WB8BGY, who is 66, has served on the ARRL Board of Directors for 12 years. Prior to that, he held numerous other field organization positions including several terms as Michigan Section Manager. Race is legendary within the ARRL field organization for his travels around the Great Lakes Division. Each year he has spenr btween 45,000 to 50,000 on the road on the League's behalf and has literally worn out three cars in the process.

Race admits that a Board vote to move ''Section News'' from QST magazine to the World Wide Web did play a small part in his decision to resign, it was not the primary factor. Rather it was time. Time to devote to his wife and family. WB8BGY sayd that there is life beyond the League.

Accolades for Race were quick in coming. One of the first was from ARRL President Emiritus George Wilson, W4OYI. He told Amateur Radio Newsline that George Race devoted decades to furthering the cause of both ham radio and the League. Wilson called Race a tireless worker on behalf of the hobby adding that he definately will be missed.

Reporting from the ARRL’s Great Lakes Division, I’m Fred Vobbe, W8HDU.

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By normal succession of officers, Great Lakes Vice Director Gary Johnston, KI4LA, was declared the new director. ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, has appointed Michigan Section Manager Dick Mondro, W8FQT, to be the new Great Lakes Vice Director. A successor to Mondro as Michigan Section Manager is expected to be named soon. (Adapted from ARRL Bulletin, W4OYI)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Cresenta Valey Amateur Radio Club repeater N6JLY serving Cresenta Vally California.

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RADIO LAW: CQ SAYS YES TO NEW HAM BANDS

The publisher of several hobby radio magazines is urging the FCCto proceed in the creation of several new ham bands. However, it is voicing significant concern that the regulatory agency appears to be placing the interests of unlicensed services on a par with, if not ahead of, those of licensed services. Amateur Radio Newsline’s David Black, KB4KCH, tellks us who filed and why:

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Most magazine publishers traditionally stay out ham radio politics. But the people who publish CQ Amateur Radio, CQ VHF and Popular Communications magazines are making an exception this time.

The publishers have filed comments with the FCC strongly supporting proposals that would create two new amateur bands and elevate a current amateur allocation from secondary to primary status.

CQ wants the FCC to adopt a proposal to create a "splinter band" at 135.7 to 137.8 kHz -- this would give amateur radio its first allocation above 200 meters in nearly a century. The company proposes opening the band to all amateurs with General Class or higher licenses, not imposing mode restrictions and making technical requirements flexible enough to encourage a wide range of experimentation.

CQ is also pushing for creation of a new ham band at 60 meters from 5.250 to 5.400 Mhz. The proposal suggests that full amateur power be permitted; that there be no sub-banding, either by mode or by license class; and that the band be open to all amateurs with HF privileges. That would include CW privileges for hams holding Novice Class licenses or Technician licenses with code credit.

Finally, CQ voices strong support for the FCC's proposal to make the Amateur Service primary on 2400 to 2402 MHz. The publishers say they're very concerned about one Commission request in its Notice of Proposed Rule Making. That requests solicits comments on the change in status that might affect non-licensed users of this band, such as cordless telephones and wireless computer networks.

CQ wants the Commission to reaffirm its long-standing policy that the interests of licensed operators and services are primary on any frequencies shared by licensed and non-licensed users.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im David Black, KB4KCH.

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CQ's comments were filed electronically and may be viewed in full on the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System website at www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html by selecting "Search for Filed Comments," then typing in "02-98" under "Proceeding" on the search page, scrolling through comment summaries until the CQ comments are reached. (CQ)

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RADIO LAW: COMMISSION REQUIRES RADAR DETECTORS TO COMPLY WITH EMISSION LIMITS

The FCC has imposed new emission limits and certification requirements on radar detectors. This, to prevent them from causing interference to very small aperture satellite terminals that operate with downlink frequencies in the 11.7 to 12.2 GHz band. Tests at the Commission's Laboratory have shown that some radar detectors emit radio signals in the downlink band far in excess of the limits that apply to other unintentional radiators. As a result of the new standards, radar detectors sold in the United States will have to meet the new and more stringent limits. The complete document is at

http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-224518A1.doc (CGC Communicator)

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RADIO LAW: VOTE ON NEW FCC COMMISSIONER EXPECTED

Ending months of political bickering over judicial nominations, a senate panel approved a longtime aide to Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle for a seat on the Federal Communications Commission. The nomination of Jonathan S. Adelstein, who has worked for the Democratic leader since 1995, will go to the full Senate for a vote.

Approval is expected, with several Republican senators saying they would vote for the South Dakota native. The FCC panel has five commissioners, who are nominated by the president and confirmed by the Senate. Only three can be from the same political party. (Congressional Review)

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ENFORCEMENT: WISCONSIN HAM ASKED ABOUT CB SALES

The FCC has asked a Wisconsin ham to explain his connection to a website that purportedly offers for sale C-B equipment not certified by the agency. The FCC’s Riley Hollingsworth explains:

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Hollingsworth: “We opened an inquirey regarding the marketing of non certified radio equipment including non certified CB transceivers and HF linear amplifiers by Roper Electronics. Roper Electronics has a web page entitled tomah.com, and we are inquiring into the relationship between Roper Electronics and Randi Owen, N9UOM, of Tomah Wisconsin.”
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Specifically, Owen was asked to fully describe his relationship, if any, with Roper Electronics. Also, if it turns out that he owns or is affiliated with Roper, he was requested to furnish the FCC a listing of all models of HF transceivers and amplifiers domestically sold and/or offered for sale by Roper since January 1st of this year. That list must include the FCC certification number for each model.

The letter of inquiry went out to Owen on June 18th. Hollingsworth says that a reply to that inquiry is do in right now. (FCC, RAIN)

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HAM SCHOLARSHIPS: FAR SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The Foundation For amateur Radio has announced this year’s winners for the fifty-seven scholarships which it administers. The names of the recipients for the individual awards appear on a list at several websites including the ARRL. For more information, write FAR Scholarships, PO Box 831, Riverdale, Maryland, 20783. The announcement for the year 2003 awards availability will be made early next year. (FAR)

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UPCOMING EVENTS: PACKARD AUTOMOBILE CELEBRATION

On the special events calendar, the Warren Ohio Amateur Radio Association will be operating special events station W8P to commemorate the annual Packard automobile celebration and car show. The Warren group will operate on the 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter bands. QSL's go to the Warren Amateur Radio Association, Post Office Box 809, Warren Ohio. The Zipcode there is 44482 (Via Internet Posting)

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UPCOMING EVENTS: OH-KY-IN HAMFEST

Still in Ohio, but over in Cincinnati, the OH-KY-IN Amateur Radio Society will be holding its annual hamfest on July 27th. The venue is the Diamond Oaks Career Development Campus and this event features seminars, hidden transmitter hunts and a giant flea market. More information on this one is on the web at www dot ohkyin dot org. And in case you are wondering what OH-KY-IN stands for – its Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana – the three states that provide most of the attendees to this annual event. (Via E-Mail)

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UPCOMING EVENTS: NATIONAL BABY FOOD FESTIVAL

From one of our listeners in Michigan comes word that W1B is a special event operation from the National Baby Food Festival. Yes, there really is a National Baby Food Festival and W1B will operate the General class areas of 75, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters while its underway. And if you work this one, you QSL with a self addressed stamped envelope to Shawn Gibson, KC8LGD, 3377 West 80th Street in Newaygo Michigan. Gibson’s zipcode is 49337. (Via Internet Posting)

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This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RUSSIA SAYS BASS LIKELY TO FLY TO ISS

The Russian space company Rosaviakosmos has announced that N*SYNC singer Lance Bass has signed a preliminary contract and is officially a candidate for a Russian mission to the International Space Station this October. This, even the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration, which partners with the Russians on the space station project has expressed concerns that the pop musician may lack the proper education, endurance and fluency in Russian to undertake such a journey.

But a spokesman at Russia's Baikonur Cosmodrome training center in says that within a week Bass will begin training. The spokesman said that the singer should be able to cover enough ground to make the trip adding that three months was more than enough time to teach him the basics.

Bass will be the third space tourist to pay Russia $20 million to visit the orbiting outpost. Previous space visitors were U.S. millionaire Dennis Tito KG6FZX and South African entrepreneur Mark Shuttleworth. Tito and Shuttleworth did find time to use the ham gear on board the station. Bass interest in Amateur Radio operations from the ISS is still unknown. (ARNewsline™ from published news reports)

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RADIO IN SPACE: LISTEN TO JUPITER ON YOUR HAM TRANSCEIVER

Want to hear what’s happening on the planet Jupiter? Just listen on the 15 meter band. So says Popular Communications Magazine in an article aptly titled Listening To Jupiter On Your Shortwave Receiver.

No, you won’t hear the latest scores from the Jupiter Red Sox playing the Mars Marlins. What can be heard is the natural sound of the orange giant. An electromagnetic wave that’s emitted at irregular intervals by Jupiter that the article describes as a sweeping lighthouse like sound.

All you need to listen in is a shortwave receiver that can tune the good old A-M mode and a decent antenna. Exactly how to listen and what to listen for is on pages 8 and 9 o the August issue of the magazine. (PopComm)

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INTERNATIONAL - NEW ZEALAND: TECHNOLOGY CONVENTION 2003

From Down-Under, word that the New Zealand ham radio Technology Convention will now be held once every two years. Formerly called the VHF Convention, this bi-annual event now caters for a broader range of interests.

The Convention was last in Whangarei over Easter Weekend 2001. The New Zealand Association of Radio Transmitters days that it is currently is looking for a host club for Technology Convention, 2003. (NZART)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: HAMS GET NEW PROPAGATION STUDY BAND:

UK Radio Amateurs will shortly be able to use a number of spot frequencies around 5 MHz, to take part in a four-year propagation study. A full Class-A license holder wishing to take part will require a Notice of Variation to his existing license. At the present time, the final administrative arrangements are being put into place. A further announcement will be made regarding the start date shortly. (GB2RS)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: THE GREAT NEW TOOTH PHONE

Meantime, a pair of British engineers say they have invented a revolutionary tooth implant that works like a mobile phone. The 'tooth phone', designed by researchers James Auger and Jimmy Loizeau, consists of a micro sized receiver, transmitter and a transducer that are implanted into a tooth during routine dental surgery. Sound, which comes from the tooth is transferred to the inner ear by bone resonance. This means information can be received anywhere and nobody else can listen in. (Science & Technology)

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DX

In DX, DJ6TK, is vacationing and operating 6 meters from Bornholm Island on CW and SSB mostly in his afternoon or late evening hours UTC. Listen for him signing JO75LA and possibly from JO74MX as well. (MDX)

I2IA stroke ID9 will be active from Ipari Island through September 15th. He intends to visit also other islands in the Eolie group during this time. (GB2RS)

And a group of operators from Indonesia and Italy plan to activate Masalembu Island as 8A3M from July 29th through August 4th. They expect to be on the air with two or three stations on SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via IZ8CCW. (OPDX)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CAPTAIN KIRK - “THEY BE WHALES”

In what sounds like it’s right out of a Star Trek movie plot, will Captain Kirk and Mr. Spock have to go rescue some whales from oblivion after all? And what does this have to do with radio communications? Amateur Radio Newsline’s Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has the answers to both of these questions:

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In the movie Star Trek The Voyage Home, the crew of the star-ship Enterprise -- without the Enterprise -- takes on the job of saving our planet from annihilation by a space probe. The probe is angry because it is programmed to contact Humpback whales, but it cannot find any because all the whales are long gone from the planet. To save the world, Kirk and crew travel back in time to get some whales and bring them into the future.

With that in mind, picture this. The administration has now given the Navy permission to begin using a powerful new low-frequency SONAR to identify enemy submarines.

SONAR, which stands for Sound Navigation and Ranging, is usually used to observe objects in water to determine distance. According to the Navy, each of the new SONAR’s eighteen transducers produces an audio signal equivalent to the noise level you would hear if you stood next to an F-15 fighter jet while I was taking-off. It is this high power that makes it possible for the sound waves to travel several hundred miles and return an accurate target echo.

But environmentalists are worried. They note that that the new SONAR system operates in the same band of frequencies used for communication by many large

whales, including Humpbacks. They say that whales are particularly susceptible to SONAR interference because they rely on sound for communication, feeding, mating and migration. In fact, they navigate the oceans of the world using a kind of natural SONAR of their own.

Some scientists believe that whales will mistake the Navy SONAR signals for other whale pods and swim in the wrong direction. And they believe that if this happens, the worlds whale population will decrease.

Others disagree. This group of researchers believes that the two can co-exist with careful monitoring of the whales for any adverse effects which might be noticed. Adjustments could then be made to the SONAR systems operation to minimize or eliminate any problems.

The bottom line is that it's a tradeoff in communications. That of the whales versus the need of the public to be safe from enemy attack.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.

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The National Marine Fisheries Service says with proper monitoring and safeguards, the Navy’s new SONAR is not likely to injure whales or any other marine mammals. But to be on the safe side, we hope Captain Kirk, Mr. Spock and Scotty are standing by. (Adapted from published news reports)

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Mert Garlick, N6AWE, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

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TERMINAL BREAK
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RAIN PROMO

1216. Re: Questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-28 12:09:04 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <ai0msv$f06$1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3851

And when you do have replies they disagree with each other, the repliers argue interminably amongst themselves forgetting the original enqiry.

How is the questioner to know which is the correct answer. Take a majority vote?

I've been around for a few years. You have my sympathy.

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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
Free Radio Design Software
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"Frankie" <frankie@comcast.org> wrote in message
news:zzk09.301594$iB1.15394493@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com...
> Well I am just going to cancel my internet service. You have my complete
> support in this matter.
>
>
> "Chris M. Bridges" <n4fan@bellsouth.net> wrote in message
> news:hj109.17324$Og3.4980847@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com...
> > I been on the internet since 1994. Newsgroups just not the same, lots of
> > question (supposed to be) But no one
> > bothers to try and answer.
> > I'm gone
> > Chris

1217. Re: Vx-5r and earbud speaker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-28 12:20:30 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <ai0nidfou1@helle.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3852

It sounds like the audio amplifier is turned on and off by switching a
relative high DC voltage. This finds its way to the in ear speaker.

It is a function of the radio.

Is it OK when the speaker in the radio is used. If it is then the two
speakers may be operated from different parts of the circuit.

You could try to filter it out with a series capacitor. Value depends on
impedance of speaker. Try a 0.01uF capacitor and see what happens. A low
impedance speaker may need 1uF.

Most likely it will make no difference. ;o(
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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
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Go to http://www.g4fgq.com
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"Richard Dreyfuss" <jquimby@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:Xns925798DFDE843jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32...
> Has anybody used Yaesu's in-ear speaker/lapel mic combo (model# Mh-37
a4b).
> I'm curious about its performance. I purchased a cheap Workman brand
> equivalent, and I'm not happy with it (yeah, what did I expect, it's
> workman, but for $9 I thought I'd try). Thing is, there is a loud dull
> click noise that occurs any time the squelch is broken, at the end of a
> received transmission, and any time the PTT switch is pressed or
released.
> The noise is almost painfully loud when the speaker is in my ear, and its
> volume doesn't change with the volume knob.
>
> It seems like this would be a function of the radio and not the speaker,
> but I'd love to find out that the name brand accessory would somehow
> function better. So to summarize, has anybody used the Yaesu brand lapel
> mic/earbud combo, and did it work well for you?
>
> Thanks
> Ben

1218. Novel Antenna Trap

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-28 23:08:29 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <ai1thcdmo7@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3853

NEW PROGRAM AVAILABLE

TWINTRAP.exe 33 kilobytes.

Two identical plastic insulated wires are close-wound alongside each other
for N turns on a cylindrical former. The two wires are then connected
series-aiding.

Distributed capacitance between wires resonates with the trap inductance at
the trap frequency.

Advantages - no high voltage, high current capacitor is needed. And
trimming wire ends for exact frequency is much easier and neater than with
coax traps.

Download TRAPDIP from website below.

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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
Free Radio Design Software
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1219. RS-15 satellite question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-29 14:28:16 UTC
From: tek_guy@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <cbf4a67d.0207290628.2980b5d8@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3854

Hi.

On the AMSAT news page, it looks like RS-15 is the only satellite currently operating in Mode A (2 meters up, 10 meters down). Is this correct? If so, does anyone know if the satellite is still operating and able to be used? I'm asking this question because I'm thinking about setting up a spare radio and antenna as a Mode A downlink receiver but wanted to hear from other people first.

Thanks and 73,

Jim, KG4NEL

1220. Re: RS-15 satellite question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-29 20:13:04 UTC
From: marsgal42@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <d42b5a72.0207291213.3a6ded48@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3855

tek_guy@hotmail.com (KG4NEL) wrote in message
news:<cbf4a67d.0207290628.2980b5d8@posting.google.com>...
> Hi.
>
> On the AMSAT news page, it looks like RS-15 is the only satellite
> currently operating in Mode A (2 meters up, 10 meters down). Is this
> correct? If so, does anyone know if the satellite is still operating
> and able to be used? I'm asking this question because I'm thinking
> about setting up a spare radio and antenna as a Mode A downlink
> receiver but wanted to hear from other people first.

You already have the radio and antenna - why not try
and see for yourself? Am I missing something here?

Laura Halliday VE7LDH "Que les nuages soient notre
Grid: CN89lg pied a terre..."
ICBM: 49 16.57 N 123 0.24 W - Hospital/Shafte

1221. "Good old Oscar-7 comes back to life after 21 dead years"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-29 20:36:31 UTC
From: myared@erols.com
Message-ID: <3cb2978.0207291236.7529705a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3856

Good old Oscar-7 comes back to life after 21 dead years

http://www.washtimes.com/national/20020728-12905036.htm

1222. Re: "Good old Oscar-7 comes back to life after 21 dead years"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-29 22:55:49 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020729185549.02902.00000138@mb-fs.aol.com>
Source record: 3857

Didn't this happen like over a month ago? I thought I remembered a long thread
on it...
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1223. Re: Vx-5r and earbud speaker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-30 04:58:20 UTC
From: Richard Dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns925B2494230jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32>
Source record: 3858

"Reg Edwards" <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com> wrote in
news:ai0nidfou1@helle.btinternet.com:

> It sounds like the audio amplifier is turned on and off by switching a
> relative high DC voltage. This finds its way to the in ear speaker.
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> It is a function of the radio.
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> Is it OK when the speaker in the radio is used. If it is then the two
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> You could try to filter it out with a series capacitor. Value depends
> on impedance of speaker. Try a 0.01uF capacitor and see what happens.
> A low impedance speaker may need 1uF.
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> Most likely it will make no difference. ;o(
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> ========================
> Regards from Reg G4FGQ
> Free Radio Design Software
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Thanks, I'll give that a shot.

Ben

1224. Re: Vx-5r and earbud speaker

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-30 12:21:28 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-3007020822000001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3859

In article <Xns925B2494230jquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32>, Richard Dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com> wrote:

> "Reg Edwards" <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com> wrote in
> news:ai0nidfou1@helle.btinternet.com:
>
> > It sounds like the audio amplifier is turned on and off by switching a
> > relative high DC voltage. This finds its way to the in ear speaker.
> >
> >
> > Most likely it will make no difference. ;o(
> > --

Sounds like bias pop. You have to correct this at the source of the audio signal. You have to gate the ac signal and not disturb the dc levels in the audio stages. You can also try to shunt the audio signal to the ear bud keeping the same goals in mind, but shunt muting leaves you with some undesirable levels of residual audio during mute. If you have some backend schematics, I might be able to steer you in the general direction.

Steve WB4CZR

1225. PA on (Russian ?) tranzistors

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-30 16:46:41 UTC
From: Bizon <bizongod@poczta.fm>
Message-ID: <ai6g7g$iu9$1@news.tpi.pl>
Source record: 3860
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hi !
I'm looking for PA on 23cm built on
any cheap tranzistors (russian ?).
It should give 15W with 13dBm (20mW)
driving.

Thanks
Bizon

1226. Mobile Mounts?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-31 05:19:46 UTC
From: Martin Maxwell <maxwell679@cox.net>
Message-ID: <3D4773CB.E733A445@cox.net>
Source record: 3861

I am in need of a mobile mounting system for mounting 3 radios.. A Kenwood dualbander, an Icom 2 Meter, and a Kenwood commercial radio..

If anyone has any ideas or supplier names, I would SURE appreciate it! I have looked at RAM products already.. Anything else?

THANKS and 73!!

Martin
N7TUP
Chandler AZ

1227. Is the Diamond SRH815 any good?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-07-31 13:43:03 UTC
From: danielg@info.com.ph
Message-ID: <f7c8b12d.0207310543.74c8dd27@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3862

To all you Ht user veterans

I am really new to all this. I have a Kenwood TH-F7E (euroepan version of the Kenwood TH-F6A) and is wondering if the Diamond SRH815 a good antenna? Will it perform better than the original Kenwood rubber duck that came with my HT? What would be a good alternative? I am looking for a high performance short antenna. I mainly use the 2m band, although I do use the UHF, AM,WFM and FM band occasionally. Thanks in advance.

1228. Re: Mobile Mounts?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-01 21:25:05 UTC
From: W1WH <w1wh@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <2o9jku83hhckn929hoamv5aag9u1j1eu63@4ax.com>
Source record: 3863

On Wed, 31 Jul 2002 05:19:46 GMT, Martin Maxwell <maxwell679@cox.net>
wrote:

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>Kenwood dualbander, an Icom 2 Meter, and a Kenwood commercial radio..
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>If anyone has any ideas or supplier names, I would SURE appreciate it! I
>have looked at RAM products already.. Anything else?
>
>THANKS and 73!!
>
>Martin
>N7TUP
>Chandler AZ

Check out http://www.w9iix.com/ for a couple of alternatives.

73,

Bill, W1WH

1229. Re: Hello All!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-02 03:00:27 UTC
From: Earth Wolf <aardwolf@telusplanet.net>
Message-ID: <3D49F802.7070503@telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3864

Well, for one thing, if you want a response, may I suggest you don't set
your follow-up to "alt.bad.clams"? ;-)

Curious wrote:

>Hi! nice newsgroup. any rules I should know before I start posting?
>is there an faq?
>Thanks!
>

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Earth Wolf

"Compared to August the month of September is likely to be a lot less stressful for most of the world, especially from natural and man-made accidents, terrorism and violence standpoints. Also, after the first week of September, expect some relief to the volatile region of Israel and Palestine..." www.astroinsight.com; astrological prediction published August 31, 2001

1230. Re: RS-15 satellite question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-02 13:11:53 UTC
From: dl5zbm@darc.de
Message-ID: <5a232139.0208020511.6784d87e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3865

tek_guy@hotmail.com (KG4NEL) wrote in message
news:<cbf4a67d.0207290628.2980b5d8@posting.google.com>...
> Hi.
>
> On the AMSAT news page, it looks like RS-15 is the only satellite
> currently operating in Mode A (2 meters up, 10 meters down). Is this
> correct? If so, does anyone know if the satellite is still operating
> and able to be used? I'm asking this question because I'm thinking
> about setting up a spare radio and antenna as a Mode A downlink
> receiver but wanted to hear from other people first.
>
> Thanks and 73,
>
> Jim, KG4NEL

Hi Jim,

unfortunately the bird is alive but: you should have at least 50 W to
a 7 ele Yagi just to hear your weak signal... ; the beacon you can
hear, but also, that there is no traffic at all :-((
73, de Math, DL5ZBM / NY8M

1231. FA Motorola RAdio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-02 13:28:04 UTC
From: Carl Walthall <n3qom@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <DNv29.736108$352.161076@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3866

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1370366691

1232. Re: Mobile Mounts?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-02 14:31:07 UTC
From: kf6vyh@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020802103107.03507.00001226@mb-cc.aol.com>
Source record: 3867

Try
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They carry a large selection of gear for mounting radios is cars and trucks.

1233. ARNewsline 1303 - August 2 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-02 16:46:27 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020802124627.15387.00001105@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 3868

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Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1303 with a release date of Friday, August 2nd 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Ham radio may be headed to Mars. That’s right. We said the red planet Mars! Find out how on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1303 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: WE ARE GOING TO MARS

Ham radio could be headed to the Red Planet in a few years. This as the German ham radio space agency announces some ambitious plans for future Amateur Radio operations from outside the Earth’s atmosphere. CQ Magazine Editor Rich Moseson, W2VU has the details:

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AMSAT-DL the German amateur radio satellite organization has announced plans to build two new amateur spacecraft, including one destined for orbit around Mars! Now, the AMSAT News Service, says that the so-called Phase 5-A satellite could be launched in the 2007 to 2009 timeframe and that it will include subpayloads that would be launched from the main satellite,

either to the planet's surface or into the Martian atmosphere.

These devices would transmit scientific data back to the "mother ship." It would then use a repeater to relay the information back to hams on Earth. AMSAT-DL officials say that the 2000 launch of AMSAT-OSCAR 40 showed that the basic satellite design was capable of a trip to Mars.

The AMSAT-DL board of directors has also given a green light to developing a Phase 3-E earth-orbiting satellite. This would be a more traditional amateur bird, offering two-way communication links on amateur bands between 145 MHz and 10 GHz. In addition, it will serve as a testbed for some of the technology needed for the Mars mission.

AMSAT-DL has been the lead AMSAT group on the past three large amateur satellites placed into orbit. This includes AMSAT-OSCAR-10 which is still operating, AMSAT-OSCAR-13 which is no longer in orbit and AMSAT-OSCAR-40.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Rich Moseson, W2VU.

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No launch timetable has been announced for Phase 3 E, but it is expected to be several years before the anticipated launch of the mission to Mars.

information about both missions can be found at:
http://www.amsat-dl.org/p3e/towards-p3e.pdf and
http://www.amsat-dl.org/p5a/p5a-to-mars.pdf (ANS, CQ)

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RESCUE RADIO: JULY 4th WATER RESCUE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH HAM RADIO

Its ham radio to the rescue on Thursday, July 4th. This following a water accident involving a teenage girl on Utah’s Lake Powell. Roy Neal, K6DUE has the details:

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STEVE WILLIAMS, K0SRW, REPORTS THAT A TEENAGER . WHO SHALL HERE GO UNNAMED BECAUSE OF HER AGE, WAS RIDING A TUBE BEHIND A RENTED SKI BOAT. THEY WERE GOING FAST UNTIL SHE HIT A WAVE AND SUDDENLY…UNEXPECTEDLY…WENT AIRBORNE. THAT’S USUALLY LOTS OF FUN FOR KIDS BUT THIS TIME THE YOUNG GIRL LANDED THE WRONG WAY. HER NECK HURT. SHE COULD HARDLY MOVE HER NECK AND BACK.

WILLIAMS WANTED TO CALL FOR HELP BUT THE ACCIDENT TOOK PLACE ON LAKE POWELL, WHICH IS A HUGE PLACE…186 MILES LONG WITH ALMOST 2 THOUSAND MILES OF SHORELINE. MAJOR CANYONS, 96 OF THEM, SOME 15 TO 20 MILES LONG, RISE UP BEHIND THE SHORE.

A MARINE RADIO CAME WITH THE HOUSEBOAT THAT WILLIAMS RENTED BUT THEY WERE TOO FAR OUT TO MAKE CONTACT. CELLULAR TELEPHONES ARE ALMOST NON EXISTENT IN THE TERRITORY. SO K0SRW TURNED TO HAM RADIO. WILLIAMS HAD A YAESU 900 AND OUTBACKER ANTENNA ALREADY SET UP. ON 20 METERS, HE HEARD W8VRT, LEN KERSCH, IN ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN, SEVERAL HUNDRED MILES AWAY.

KERSCH WAS TAKING PART IN A NET, ON 14.178 Mhz. WILLIAMS BROKE IN, EXPLAINED THE SITUATION AND GAVE A PHONE NUMBER FOR THE BULLFROG MARINA, AT LAKE POWELL. KERSH CALLED THE MARINA. THEY CONNECTED HIM WITH THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE. ANOTHER WILLIAMS…KARL WILLIAMS, KD5AW, IN OKLAHOMA CITY BROKE IN TO ASSIST BY RELAYING INFORMATION BETWEEN W8VRT AND K0SRW.

ABOUT 25 MINUTES AFTER THE INITIAL CONTACT, A MEDICAL HELICOPTER AND A NATIONAL PARK SERVICE BOAT ARRIVED. THEY DECIDED TO AIRLIFT THE GIRL BY HELICOPTER TO A HOSPITAL AT GRAND JUNCTION, COLORADO. STRANGE TO RELATE, THE PILOT ALSO WAS A HAM…TOM CALDWELL, KC7BPK, WAS AT THE CONTROLS.

THERE WAS NO ROOM FOR THE PARENTS IN THE HELICOPTER. THEY TOOK OFF TO TRAVEL SOME 4 HOURS BY BOAT AND CAR. AS THEY DROVE AND GOT BACK INTO CELL PHONE RANGE, GOOD NEWS WAS WAITING FOR THE ANXIOUS PARENTS. X-RAYS SHOWED THEIR DAUGHTER WAS NORMAL…NO PERMANENT INJURIES. THIS HAM RADIO RESCUE STORY HAD A HAPPY ENDING.

FOR THE AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE, ROY NEAL, K6DUE

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Williams says he is grateful to all of the hams who assisted in the rescue. Because of them an injured youngster quickly received medical aid in a rather remote part of the USA. (K0SRW)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS READY FOR WASHINGTON TRAIN DERAILMENT

Ham radio was ready but not really needed at a July 29th train derailment just outside of Washington D-C. An AMTRAK liner was enroute from Chicago to Washington when many of the passenger cars left the track near Kensington, Maryland. About 90 people were taken to area hospitals, three reported in critical condition. One news report said that a ham radio communications team was on its way to supply assistance but with no real communications failure, their services were found to be unnecessary. The news story did not mention anyone by name or call sign. (ARNewsline™ from news reports)

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RADIO LAW: QCWA FILES IN FAVOR OF NEW HAM BANDS BUT SOME MEMBERS SAY THEY SHOULD HAVE BEEN ASKED

The Quarter Century Wireless Association has filed in favor of the ARRL proposal to create new ham radio bands. While most members of the QCWA appear to agree with the FCC filing, there is one group that is taking the Board of Directors to task over how it was done.

Its not because they disagree with the content. Rather, calling themselves the “vocal minority,” these hams are using the QCWA electronic remailer to complain that the board did not send paper or electronic copies of the proposed filing to all members. Also, they say that the board did not individually poll the members for their opinions before writing the QCWA position and sending the paperwork to the FCC.

But outgoing QCWA President Gary Harrison, K0BC, says that the reason it was done this way is simple. It was a matter of time.

In a posting to the QCWA Reflector, Harrison says that there was a limited amount of time to file comments. He also notes that there are only about 300 QCWA members are on the groups electronic mail list. That would mean preparing a paper mailing, sending it out and waiting for members to write back.

Harrison uses QCWA election figures as an example. He says that it takes about two years to complete an election cycle and the organization receives only about 30% return of the ballot. The cost of mailing material out for this election is about $2,000.

What about the organization's magazine called the QCWA Journal? Harrison says that it takes two months to prepare and mail it from the deadline for submitting articles. And be it a paper ballot or an announcement in the Journal, the QCWA would have to allow several months to permit input from the membership. In this case waiting would mean that the QCWA could not file because the commentary cutoff date had passed. (ARNewsline™)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Tri Town Amateur Radio Club repeater, W9VT, serving Calumet City Illinois.

(5 sec pause here)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: STEVE MANSFIELD, N1MZA – S.K.

Some rather sad news to report – especially for us here at Newsline. It comes in word from the American Radio Relay League that its Legislative and Public Affairs Manager Steve Mansfield, N1MZA, has died of complications to brain cancer at age 55.

Steve Mansfield came to ARRL service in 1991 as an expert in the area of Public Relations. It did not take long for his bosses at League headquarters to realize his enormous potential as a people person. As a result, the hallowed halls of Washington D.C. soon became his beat and he spent the next eleven years as the point man between the ARRL and numerous political leaders.

ARRL President Emeritus George Wilson, W4OYI, had the opportunity to work with Mansfield. He tells Amateur Radio Newsline that he recalls one incident just before a major convention out in California. There were a lot of very controversial issues on which the League had taken considerable heat. Wilson gave Mansfield the job of searching out all issues and prepare a short "position paper" on each for W4OYI. The former ARRL president says that Mansfield did such an outstanding job that he had copies sent to all Directors and Vice Directors. The result was what

President Wilson called tons of favorable comments, and a real tribute to the dedication of N1MZA.

Mansfield was also seen at many hamfests and conventions. In most cases speaking at public relations sessions hosted either by the ARRL or by us here at Newsline. And that's really where we got to know him as a friend, a college and as an expert in the topic of relating to other people.

Steve Mansfield was first diagnosed with brain cancer in 2000 and had surgery to remove the malignancy. He was doing well until recently when he suffered a series of setbacks. He passed away on Monday July 29th. He is survived by his wife Ellyn daughters Ramona and Elizabeth and the friends he made in and out of ham radio, worldwide. (ARRL, W4OYI, ARNewsline™)

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD: FATHER MIKE MULLEN, WB2GQW – S.K.

The Reverend Michael Mullen, WB2GQW, a past winner of the ARRL International Humanitarian Award, became a Silent Key in June. "Father Mike" was a professor and past chairman of the humanities department at St. John's University in New York. He was best known in amateur radio for his involvement with IMRA, the International Mission Radio Association. IMRA maintaines lines of communication using amateur radio for missionaries. It also inter-connects various humanitarian agencies over the air after disasters.

According to the New York Daily News, in addition to his ARRL International Humanitarian Award, Father Mike received the St. John's University Presidential Medal and was listed in the
international edition of "Who's Who in Education." He was 87 at the time
of
his death. (CQ, NY Daily News)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: A NEW BOOK BY N6NHG

Former computer hacker Kevin Mitnick, N6NHG, has turned author. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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Kevin Mitnick, N6NHG, Mitnick is the California ham whose license renewal application has been designated for hearing by the FCC. This, based on his conviction for hacking. And now according to news reports, he has written a soon to be released book on computer hacking and -- more important -- how to prevent being hacked.

According to the reports, Mitnick's book -- The Art of Deception -- is a novel that describes more than a dozen scenarios where hackers dupe computer network administrators into divulging passwords, encryption keys and other security details. Mitnick claims that its all fiction with any personal details having been kept out of the book which reportedly uses

fictitious names of hackers, victims and companies.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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Earlier this year the FCC designated his application to renew his Amateur licenses for a public hearing. The FCC contends that Mitnick may no longer possess the requisite requirements to remain a Commission licensee. (Published reports)

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CONVENTIONS: HUNTSVILLE HAMFEST

Two conventions on almost opposite sides of the country are taking place the weekend of the 17th and 18th of August. In Huntsville Alabama, the Huntsville Hamfest takes place at the Von Braun Center's South Hall right across the street from the Huntsville Hilton Hotel. Since the first Huntsville Hamfest in 1981, this event has grown to the point where the Amateur Radio manufacturers and dealers consider it to be one of the seven major hamfests in the country, pulling a gate of between 5000 to 6000 every year.

We at Amateur Radio Newsline have presented our own Young Ham of the Year Award at the Huntsville Hamfest since 1993. 2002 is no exception. So please join us at 2:00 P.M. Central time on Saturday August 17th as we, our corporate underwriters Vertex Standard and CQ Magazine along with the people of Huntsville honor 17 year of Josh Abramowicz, KB3GWY as the 2002 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year. More information about the Huntsville Hamfest is in cyberspace at www.hamfest.org. (Huntsville Hamfest)

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CONVENTIONS: ARRL SW DIVISION IN SAN DIEGO

And August 16th to the 18th will se the ARRL Southwestern Division show at the California Center of the Arts in Escondido. The scheduled Banquet speaker will be Riley Hollingsworth K4ZDH. Also on hand will be ARRL President Jim Haynie W5JBP, Big Project Coordinator Jerry Hill, along with Division Director Art Goddard W6XD, and Vice Director Tuck Miller NZ6T. More information is on the convention web site at http://sd2002.hamcon.net. (HAM-CON)

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CONVENTIONS: HUNTINGTON HAMFEST

And a week earlier on August 10th, the Tri State Amateur Radio Association will host the Huntington, West Virginia Hamfest. Its at the Veterans Memorial Field House, 2590 Fifth Avenue in Huntington from 8:30 AM to 2:30 P-M. Talk in on the 146.76 repeater and V-E administered ham radio exams will also be available. For further information contact Phil Beckett by e-mail- to ab8me@hotmail.com (N8TMW)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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HAMFESTS: TRW SWAP MEET FOR SEPTEMBER CANCELED

If you are planning to travel to Los Angeles this September to attend the famed TRW Swap Meet, choose some other month. This is because the giant swap-feast has been canceled because a corporate event will be held at the Space Park Facility on Saturday, September 28th.

Only September is canceled. There will be a TRW Swap Meet the last Saturday of the month in August and in October, November and December.

The TRW Swap Meet is famous and draws attendance from across the nation. For more information visit http://w6trw.com on the world wide web. (Via e-mail from TRW A.R.C.)

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SCIENCE PAGE: THE MAGNETIC NORTH POLE IS ON THE MOVE

The Magnetic North Pole could soon abandon Canada, migrate north of Alaska and eventually wind up in Russia. So says one scientist. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, reports on the future of the pole.

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The e-newsletter Science Today tells of Larry Newitt. Newitt is a researcher with the Geological Survey of Canada. And Newitt says that the magnetic pole is on the move.

The researcher says that the pole, which has steadily drifted for decades, has picked up speed in recent years. He says that at its current speed, it could exit Canadian territory as soon as 2004. And, says Newitt, if the pole follows its present course, it will pass north of Alaska and arrive in Siberia in a half century.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, Los Angeles.

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If you are worried that you may soon have to trade in your old compass for a G-P-S to know where you are, don't. Researcher Newitt cautions that such predictions could be wrong. (Science Today)

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INTERNATIONAL - BRAZIL: A NEW LF BAND ON ITS WAY

According to Brazilian amateur PY3CRX the Brazilian licensing authority, ANATEL, has agreed that the 135.7 to 137.8kHz band can be allocated to radio amateurs in that nation on a secondary basis. No date was mentioned for the new band's introduction but PY3CRX adds that the band is, or will be, also available in Paraguay and Uruguay as well. (GB2RS)

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INTERNATIONAL- CANADA: VY2BP NEW RAC AD

Radio Amateurs of Canada reports that Bill Perry, VY2BP, has been appointed as an Assistant Director for the R-A-C Atlantic Region. Perry will complete the unexpired term of Fred Burke, VY2FB, who recently resigned the position because of family commitments. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL EAST TIMOR: NEW CALL SIGN BLOCK ANNOUNCED

The International Telecommunications Union says that the 4WA to 4WZ prefix block will go to the United Nations Territory Administration of East Timor for as long as it exists. United Nations stations within East Timor will be assigned 4U prefixes. The official U N Club station will get 4U1ET. All other amateurs will use the 4W6 prefix. Those residing in East Timor less than one year will sign 4W6 followed by their home call. People staying beyond one year will be assigned a permanent 4W6 call. And yes, CEPT licenses are accepted. (GB2RS, Q-News)

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DX

In D-X, the UK-lead youngsters' DXpedition to the Maldives should be on the air as 8Q7ZZ until the 11th of August. The expedition is being lead by 18-year old Mark Haynes, M0DXR. Other operators include 15-year old Robert Morgan, M0TTT, as well as young amateurs from Germany and Spain. 8Q7ZZ will be running up to three stations simultaneously, all with beam antennas and up to 400 watts power out. (RSGB)

Meantime, four French operators are in Benin and active as TY7Z, TY9F, TY4DX and TY6FB until the 14th of August. If you make contact with either operation Q-S-L as directed on the air. (QRZ DX)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A SPECIAL HAM RADIO PRESENTATION

And finally this week:
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“Good afternoon to everybody here. We have a lot of Amateur Radio operators and we have a lot of guests aboard the Queen Mary. And we are here for a very short ceremony to commemorate the 23rd anniversary of W6RO.”

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That was Bob Heil, K9EID, on Saturday, July 27th, talking to a crowd assembled in the Wireless Museum next door to the Queen Mary's radio room. A radio room that for the past 23 years has been the home of Amateur Radio Station W6RO. And to commemorate this milestone, Bob's company, Heil Sound, donated a half dozen custom made Classic series microphones adorned with the W6RO call sign to the station. These retro look microphones are very similar to the RCA studio mic's of the 1930's. Famed rock musician Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, had the honor of making the actual presentation:

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Joe Walsh: "These Classic microphones are presented to the Queen Mary amateur Radio Station, W6RO, celebrating the 23rd year of continuous operation provided by the Associated Radio Amateurs of Long Beach California, present by Bob Heil, K9EID, and Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, on July 27, 2002. And we wish you continued success with the station and here you go."

Nate Brigtman: "Thank you very much."

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Accepting the mics was Nate Brightman, K6OSC, who was the man who conceived the idea of a ham station on the Queen Mary. He was accompanied b the current president of the club, Ray Rittenhouse, KF6WZN. Rittenhouse has a surprise for K9EID:

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Ray Rittenhouse: "We appreciate this very much Bob, and from our club to you is a certificate of our appreciation thanking you for those microphones we are now putting in W6RO"
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Then it was Nate Brightman's turn. He told the crowd a bit about the operation of W-6-R-O, and what those who sit at the transmitters get as a token of appreciation for taking the time to operate:

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Brightman here: ""Those amateurs who come by to visit W6RO aboard the Queen Mary, should they operate the station, we will mail to them a special certificate designating that they had the honor of operating W6RO aboard the Queen Mary."
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And when it was all over Bob Heil ended the presentation with a bit of a poem:

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Heil: Nate. Thanks for having us today. And Ray, we appreciate all of your efforts for the club. And we will be seeing you a little high, a little low. But we'll find you somewhere from W6RO. (Applause)
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Attending the ceremony, were numerous local ham radio operators from the Los Angeles area. This included Vertex-Standard's Chip Margelli, K7JA and film maker Dave Bell W6AQ. The ARRL was represented by Los Angeles Section Manager Phineas Icenbice, W6BF. You can hear the complete presentation as

this weeks Newsline Extra. You will find it as an MP3 file on our F-T-P page only a click away at www.arnewsline.org. (ARNewsline™)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

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TERMINAL BREAK

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RAIN PROMO

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1234. Re: Mobile Mounts?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-03 01:35:31 UTC
From: kd5dok@aol.comnojunk
Message-ID: <20020802213531.10672.00000201@mb-ca.aol.com>
Source record: 3869

In article <20020802103107.03507.00001226@mb-cc.aol.com>, kf6vyh@aol.com (Kf6vyh) writes:

>
>Try
> Galls.com
>
>They carry a large selection of gear for mounting radios is cars and trucks.
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>

Not so fast 6-lander try Gallsinc.com it may work better.....

1235. FA reapeater Amps 2 meter and 440

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-03 08:10:26 UTC
From: HamRAdio <n3qom@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <SdM29.233603$Wt3.209175@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3870
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1371017547&rd=1

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1371017774&rd=1

1236. FA Micom XF

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-03 08:11:39 UTC
From: HamRAdio <n3qom@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <_eM29.35963$Ru5.13146@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3871
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1371018518&rd=1

1237. FS-Protek portable DSO

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-03 16:21:35 UTC
From: ka4993gg@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020803122135.02086.00001442@mb-fe.aol.com>
Source record: 3872

Portable digital storage oscilloscope, in EXCELLENT condition. Operated by "AA" batteries or AC adaptor included. Can also be hooked up to your PC with included computer interface. Comes with manual, 2 probes, batteries, zippered carrying case. Probes and scope are as new, unit was very seldom used.

Brand new price was $1200, but will sacrifice for $350, plus actual shipping charges from 94612.

The specifications for this scope is very similar to the current model P-3850, at Protek's website below. Its also identical in appearance to the P-3850 which sells for $1350.

http://www.hcprotek.com/index-dso.html

1238. reviewers needed for amateur radio software, books & products - keep all products

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-03 22:32:51 UTC
From: johnrandall3@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <a35a5675.0208031432.6f9a5769@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3873

Write reviews of amateur radio software, books, and consumer products
and keep them for your own use.

I am the editor of a review web site. I don't have the time to write
all the reviews to expand the web site.

Here is the deal.

I will get you virtually any software program (Mac, PC or Unix/Linux)
for free. The same goes for any consumer product costing less than
$300. You can go to our web site and request any product or book. The
books are sent directly to you. The software & consumer products come
to us and we reship them to you.

You agree to write and post a brief review and you keep the software,
consumer products or books for your own use.

There is a $29 for our six month review club member fee. But YOU DON'T
PAY THIS FEE UNTIL YOU RECEIVE YOUR REVIEW PRODUCTS THAT ARE WORTH
THREE TIMES YOUR FEE. We have been doing this for many years, so we
can afford to make this offer where you pay NO FEES until you receive
your products.

We are looking for a few dependable reviewers who will write reviews
in exchange for keeping these products.

If you are interested, please send me an email to
johnwesley2@bellsouth.net with the words NEW REVIEWER in the message
subject line and your name and address in the message body. I will
send you complete information and a contract that you agree to write
and post reviews.

Thanks

John Wesley

1239. M2 6m Beam Dimension Help

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-04 20:05:12 UTC
From: HD <hd@humdinger.idps.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3d4d8a63_2@mk-nntp-1.news.uk.worldonline.com>
Source record: 3874
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur

I am looking to convert my M2 6M5 6m beam into the 6M7 version but I need the dimensions of the 6M7 to do it. Please email me with them if you can help.

Thanks

Harry

1240. Looking for Tube EBL/1

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-04 20:30:35 UTC
From: EA4ADD, "Pedro J." <pjruiz@attglobal.net>
Message-ID: <3d4d0afa.696050@news.mad.ttd.net>
Source record: 3875
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Dear OMs:

I'm looking for a late '30s early '40s old radio receiver a tube EBL/1 in red.

As long as I know is an European tube red cloured with 8 points for connection.

If you have any information or store, shop or place where to find it I will apreciate that information.

73's de EA4ADD
pjruiz@attglobal.net
73's de Pedro Jos Ruiz
EA4ADD, Madrid.
pjruiz@attglobal.net
http://www.geocities.com/pedro_jose_ruiz

1241. Schematic for MFJ 1275

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-04 23:51:37 UTC
From: Heribert Riesbeck <h.riesbeck@rogers.com>
Message-ID: <d6j39.29711$wh1.19239@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 3876

I am looking for the wiring diagram of the MFJ1275 (sound card to radio interface).
A reply from someone who has such item would be apreciated. Thank you

Heri Riesbeck, VE3FD

1242. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-10 04:13:35 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <Pp059.29850$Vj3.1861807@news0.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3877

Not being a US Ham I was basing my point in our Basic license and we can build anything for Ham Radio except transmitters and amps and are held to under 250 watts. With the ease of the basic license I can see why. I was under the impression that your Tec class was about the same.

He is looking for something for his kid and 2 meters is the way to get the interest going. I was only 13 and working on my ticket so my dad went out and got me a Kenwood TS-520 with ex. VFO and ex. speaker for about $1000.00 to get me going. I lost interest a while latter and the radio spent more time on 11 meters then on the Ham bands. A little 2 meter rig would have been better as I already had a Drake SSR-1 receiver to do HF. 12 years after I got the 520 I finally got my ticket. I sold the 520 when I was 17 for about $100.00 as that was all it was worth after the general coverage transceivers got in to full swing. No question that they will get into a local club and most club actives happen on 2 meters, parade control, local nets and swap and shops. That is why I recommended a 2 meter HT also you can get one for less then $150.00 and still do world wide with the help of IRLP. If he does lose interest then he should be able to sell the HT off for what he paid for it as that they don't seem to be depreciating that much.

"Ralph Mowery" <rmowery@dialpoint.net> wrote in message
news:aj1ver$16o8$1@newsreader.cetlink.net...
> Any US ham can build a transmitter from parts or from a kit. The only
> limitation if you want to call it one is that you can only transmitt on
the
> bands you are licensed for. Same as for a store bought rig.
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> There is still not subistute for talking on your own equipment to others
> instead of using a repeater, even if it is the IRLP contacts.
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> "WG" <nojunk@mail.com> wrote in message
> news:Iv_49.30411$Z5.1080785@news1.telusplanet.net...
> >
> > "Peter A. Bonucci" <pbonucci@slonet.org> wrote in message
> > news:3D50BCD5.5050900@slonet.org...
> > > My son (9 years old) and I are working on getting our technician with
> > > code licenses and I would like to set up a HF station.
> >
> > I would recommend a 2 meter HT and work the locals. Most local clubs
have
> on
> > air Swap and Shops weekly and you could pick-up something like a Yeasu
101
> > for $100.00.

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> > >
> > > Because I don't know how long he will stay interested, I would like to
> > > keep this to less than US$250. Power levels down to 5 W and kits
would
> > > be acceptable, if it keeps the price down.
> >
> > I maybe wrong but if all you have is a Tec. license you can't build your
> own
> > transmitter so kits are out.
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> > >
> > > I think that he would be thrilled to make international contacts and I
> > > would accept a single-band installation, if he could get a taste of
DX.
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> > Again try 2 meters and see if you have the IRLP system on one of your
> local
> > repeaters and go world wide with a HT.
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> > >
> > > So, what all do I need to give my son a taste of what HF is like
without
> > > spending a lot of money?
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> > Why not try a good Short-wave receiver for the taste of HF.
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> > >
> > > Peter A. Bonucci
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> > > -----= Posted via Newsfeeds.Com, Uncensored Usenet News =-----
> > > http://www.newsfeeds.com - The #1 Newsgroup Service in the World!
> > > -----== Over 80,000 Newsgroups - 16 Different Servers! =-----
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1243. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-10 12:21:29 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <aj30nr$21cu$1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 3878

One of the problems on the internet (especially when it comes to ham radio that is world wide) is that one is never sure which country the question is comming from. Differant rules for each country.

I can't go back much over 30 years in ham radio but in the US any license class can build whatever he wants to (transmitters and amplifiers included). I think it is (was) to encourage learning. The Novice (lowest of the low band license which is not issued anymore) used to be limiated to 75 watts input but has been changed to a somewhat higher power (can't recall without looking if it is 200 or 250 watts and not sure if input or output). That was done about 10 or 15 years ago as many of the popular transceivers were in the 100 watt output class and did not have an easy way to measure the power. Even they could build their own transmiters.

The US Tech license is no differant from any other license except they must operate above 50 MHz. With the code endorsement they can operate all the Novice frequencies on the low bands (no voice modes) and a small portion of 10 meters on ssb.

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1244. ARNewsline1304 - August 9 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-10 16:18:15 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020810121815.14962.00003460@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 3879

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The following is a QST. U.K. hams take to 5 MHz in a big experiment. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1304 coming your way right now.

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ON THE AIR: BIG UK 5MHZ EXPERIMENT

If you tune around 5 MHz and hear what sounds like ham radio QSO’s, your ears are not playing tricks. A major study of 5 MHz propagation has begun in Great Britain and some hams are already on the air. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, reports from Nottingham in the U.K.:

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The 5 Mhz experiment has begun. The Radio Society of Great Britain has announced that permission has been granted by the Ministry of Defence and the Radiocommunications Agency for the allocation of five spot frequencies in the range of 5250 to 5450kHz. The frequencies will be made avbailable in the form of a 3 kilohertz bandwidth channel by way of a Notice of Variation to the UK Amateur License. Because it is a controlled experiment applicants are required to report their findings and results to the RSGB.

The purpose of the experiment is to carry out propagation and antenna investigations aimed at improving the understanding of Near Zenithal Radiation or NVIS - Near Vertical-Incidence Skywave - communications via the ionosphere. The frequencies assigned are 5260, 5280, 5290, 5400 and 5405kHz. It’s expected that this experiment will run for about 4 years.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.

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Here in the United States, Charles Harpole, K4VUD, one of the permitted operators of the American WA2XSY 5 MHz-band test stations invites U-K hams to contact him to set up a sked. The 5 point 260 MHz channel would be the best frequency for him. He is available for all times and days until the 20th of August and his e-mail is k4vud@hotmail.com (GB2RS)

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ENFORCEMENT: FIVE LICENSES CANCELED BY FCC

Five hams who participated in a September 2001 testing session in Yucaipa California and who declined to be retested have lost their ham radio licenses. The FCC's Riley Hollingsworth says that in this case it was the VEC who brought the matter to his agency:

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Hollingsworth: "Now the W5YI-VEC really did its homework on this one. They picked up some comments and complaints on an Internet News Group about the examination session; did a little homework and further research and found some very good reasons to refer the matter to us."
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On April 30, the FCC wrote all five requiring them to re-take their Amateur Examinations before June 30th. All five failed to appear. Again the FCC's Riley Hollingsworth:

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Hollingsworth: "Those licensees were Eddie Bartolome - Extra Class N6YAG of Los Angeles; Camito Lopez KG6GJC a Technician of Los Angeles; Marcial Rivas - General Class KG6HCP of Salem Oregon; Manuel M. Vega, KG6GSP - General class of Anaheim California and Marcelino Llanes, KG6HBR of Oxnard California."
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Hollingsworth adds that the FCC is continuing its investigation of other examinations given by the Volunteer Examination team involved in the September 1st 2001 session in Yucaipa. Also that his office really appreciates the vigilance of the W5YI-VEC. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC MAY RETURN FORMER KV4FZ TO THE AIRWAVES

An ex-ham from the US Virgin Islands who was forced off the air a year and a half ago by the FCC may soon be back on, courtesy of the FCC. This as the agency indicates that it may act to reinstate the amateur license of Herbert L. Schoenbohm, the former KV4FZ. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, has been following this story and has the latest:

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Herbert L. Schoenbohm's name shows up a lot in FCC records. He's the former ham who used to hold the callsign KV4FZ. That was before he lost his license.

In December, 1992, Schoenbohm was convicted of fraudulently using a counterfeit access device to obtain long distance telephone service. He was sentenced to two months of house arrest, two years probation and fined $5000. That left the FCC feeling that a felony conviction disqualified Schoenbohm from continuing as a Commission Licensee.

Two years later, Schoenbohm filed with the Commission to renew his amateur radio license. The Commission answered -- but not with what he wanted to hear; instead, the FCC designated his application for a hearing. Two encounters took place--one in 1995, the other in '97. At that point, the Commission told Schoenbohm he should no longer be allowed to have an FCC license.

He was allowed to operate until he exhausted all avenues of appeal. That happened in October of 2000. In January, 2001, Schoenbohm ceased on-air operations.

Before leaving the airwaves, 'though, Schoenbohm vowed that he would one day return to the airwaves as a licensed radio amateur. That day may be soon--based on findings presented at an FCC Administrative Law hearing earlier this year.

The hearing was held to determine if Schoenbohm now meets the requirements to once again become a Commission license holder in the Amateur Radio Service. The finding is complex and covers nearly two dozen pages. But it appears that the government may be ready to give Schoenbohm a second chance as a licensed ham.

The Commission says in part there is sufficient evidence in the record to support a finding that Schoenbohm has rehabilitated himself. The Commission notes that -- based on the evidence --it appears unlikely he would engage in any future misconduct. The Commission's Enforcement Bureau Investigations and Hearings Division endorses Schoenbohm's return to the amateur radio airwaves.

Schoenbohm took and passed a new exam in March, 2001. But the Commission again threw in a delay, designating his application for a hearing on the basis of character issues. This is the application that an Administrative Law Judge has been reviewing. Now that the recommendations are in, the Administrative law judge could issue a final opinion and recommendation within the next few months. That means Herbert Schoenbohm could possible be on the air again sometime this year.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m David Black, KB4KCH.
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In the end, it is going to be up to the Commission to make a final resolution as to whether or not the former KV4FZ returns to ham radio. Nobody can predict what that decision will be. And if he is permitted to return, will it be with his old KV4FZ call sign? (ARNewsline™ from FCC Publiic Files)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Antelope Valley Amateur Radio Club repeater, WB6VVV, serving Lancaster California.

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RESCUE RADIO: COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY HELPS SAVE KIDNAPPED GIRLS

Two kidnapped California teenagers are alive thanks in part to a newly developed law enforcement communications technology. Mert Garlick, N6AWE, has the details:

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It happened on Thursday August 1st when two teenage girls from the Quartz Hill

area of Southern California were abducted at gunpoint. Using the newly established AMBER child abduction alert system, the names of the teens and a description of the car they were in was immediately distributed to law enforcement agencies and broadcast outlets statewide. Shortly thereafter the California Transportation Authority was displaying information on it’s 316 electronic signs on freeways.

Sheriff's deputies in Kern County soon received several calls from people who saw the white Ford S-U-V. A sheriff's helicopter crew used the information to direct a ground unit that made the felony arrest stop. When he resisted and brandished a weapon, deputies shot and killed Roy Dean Ratliff and freed the girls.

The rescue took place only six days after Governor Gray Davis directed the installation of the AMBER system. AMBER uses a combination of two-way radio, fax, e-mail and other communications technology to quickly spread word when a child is abducted. It is based on a program developed by Dallas-area broadcasters and named in memory of nine year-old Amber Hagerman who was kidnapped and murdered in 1996.

In this latest case it took less than 4 hours to get the AMBER alert on the two missing girls circulated to the road signs. California’s Governor Davis says that his states AMBER system will now be refined to make it react more swiftly.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Mert Garlick, N6AWE.
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Today, there are forty-one AMBER Alert programs across the country. The system is credited with safely recovering at least seventeen children since 1997. (Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: PLEASE FIX THE INTERFERENCE

A pair of utility companies have received letters from the FCC regarding unresolved interference complaints from area amateurs. According to the W5YI Report Lakeland Electric Company in Florida and Commonwealth Edison in Illinois both were sent notes reminding them of their responsibilities to prevent interference to radio stations including radio amateurs. The letters gave the electric companies 90 days to either resolve the problems or contact the FCC with a specific timetable for making the fix. (FCC from W5YI Report)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: NEW DIRECTORS FOR THE NFCC

Turning to the ham radio political arena, word that Ken Chilton, KA1TIH; Alex Harvilchuck, N3NMN and Vincent Bardsley, KB3OM have been elected to the Board of Directors of the National Frequency Coordination Council. They replace outgoing Directors Dick Isely, W9GIG, Owen Wormser, K6LEW, and Dave Baughn, KX4I, who helped form the NFCC at a meeting in St. Charles Missouri back in 1995.

Chilton, Havilchuck and Bardsley also join Nels Harvey, WA9JOB and Clay Freinwald, K7CR as the duly constituted National Frequency Coordinators' Board. This for the twelve month period starting on September 1st. (ARNewsline™)

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: NEW SACRAMENTO SM IS OLD SACRAMENTO SM

California’s former Sacramento Valley ARRL Section Manager has become the new Sacramento Valley Section Manager following the resignation of the current Sacramento Valley Section Manager. Confused? Well, here’s what happened.

According to an ARRL Bulletin, Jettie Hill, W6RFF, of Roseville, California, has been appointed to succeed Jerry Boyd, K6BZ, as the Sacramento Valley Section Manager. This is because Boyd is moving out of the section.

Boyd was appointed in 2000 to replace Hill. Hill continued to serve the section as the regions Affiliated Club Coordinator and as an Official Relay Station. W6RFF previously served as Santa Clara Valley Section Communications Manager from 1978 until 1982 and as ARRL Pacific Division Vice Director in 1982 and 1983. The appointment of Hill, who had previously served for more than 10 years as Sacramento Valley S-M became effective on August 1st. Got that? (ARRL)

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FUTURE TECHNOLOGY: HIGH TECH WORKERS NEEDED

Still in California, word that lack of qualified workers is costing Silicon Valley billions of dollars annually. The management consulting firm A.T. Kearney says that this is threatening the regions position as a global high technology center. The region's shortage of high-tech workers means that one in three jobs requires special recruitment efforts, or goes unfilled, leading to a loss of over $3 billion a year. (ProPeople.com)

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RADIO REGULATIONS: PERMANENT CELL NUMBERS ON HOLD

Mobile phone users who want to keep their numbers after switching wireless companies will have to wait until late next year for that option. This after the Federal Communications Commission gives cellular phone companies until November of 2003 to offer customers the choice.

The new date, one year later than the previous deadline to implement the service. It is the third extension granted by the FCC. Most wireless companies oppose the idea, arguing it would cost billions of dollars and drain resources needed to improve and lower the cost of wireless services. (FCC)

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WITH THE HANDI-HAMS: EXTRA CLASS MANUAL IN AUDIO

The Handi-Hams have announced that the latest ARRL Extra Class License Manual is now available to it’s blind members in adapted audio format. At the present time Handi Hams only digital media available but the audio is being

re-mastered onto tape. When the cassette version is available Handi Hams will let us know so that we can let you know. Meantime keep an eye at Book and Tape Catalog area at www.handiham.org for updates. (Handi Hams)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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THE SUPPORT FUND REPORT WITH ANDY JAREMA, N6TCQ

Its time for a report from the Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund. Here's our Administrator -- Andy Jarema, N6TCQ:

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There are two items to cover this week. I'll start with our poll regarding credit cards. Three weeks ago we asked those interested in supporting Amateur radio Newsline using a credit card to write the single word YES in the subject line of an e-mail and send it to us. We have tallied the results and there were only 17 who said yes. And of the 17, all but one said that only a Pay Pal account was acceptable to them.

Well, statistically speaking, you don't have to know how to do linear regression to know that 17 people out of the 10's of thousands who listen in each week is not a very good response. What it says is that 17 people have Pay Pal access and would use it to help support Amateur Radio Newsline. Even so, we looked into creating a Pay Pal service for those who wanted to use it. Without wasting a lot of time, suffice it to say that the costs involved versus the return would not warrant the expenditure. So at present the credit card issue is dead. For now at least, the Support Fund will remain as it always has. Just the P.O. Box where donations can be sent. Get a pencil and paper ready. I'll give it in a few moments.

The other item I want to touch on briefly is the current state of the checking account. Thanks to your generosity, we made it through June and July. What that means is the bills from May were paid in early June and those from June went out on schedule in July. Now it's early August. The July bills have come due, unfortunately at the same time that our folks are off to Huntsville, Alabama to present the 2002 Young Ham of the Year Award. So that you get a better understanding of the costs involved, I've done a rough breakdown.

First of all, our corporate underwriters Vertex Standard and C-Q Magazine cover almost all the costs of the young person selected for the award. They pay their airfare. They pay their lodging. Vertex-Standard provides an additional gift of Yaesu brand ham radio gear. C-Q treats the winner to a week at Spacecamp. When you add that up, it's probably a gift package with a retail price tag of close to $5000.

Obviously, they do their part and we have to do ours. It costs about $300 a year for a round trip ticket to get one of our people from Los Angeles to Huntsville. Actually, we have our people fly to Birmingham and drive up to Huntsville because this saves quite a bit of money. Yes, it takes them out of their way and adds a few hours of travel time. But the savings in airfare make this added time worthwhile.

The wonderful folks at the Huntsville Hamfest provide us with a free room. We do have to pay our people's expenses like food, hotel, telephone service and a rental car when necessary. We also pay for the plaque presented to the winner and for the mini-banquet we hold for him or her on the Friday night prior to the actual Saturday presentation. The total this year will be somewhere between $1000 to $1100. So we need to raise that in addition to our normal $800 to $1000 it costs monthly to keep the Amateur Radio Newsline newscasts coming your way. And that's where you come in.

Amateur Radio Newsline is a federal 501 (C) (3) not for profit corporation. Donations to it are tax deductible. The address – you've heard it before - is Post Office Box 660937, Arcadia California. Our Zipcode is 91066.

OK. 'Nuf said. But I'll be back next week with the latest thank-you list. For now, from Arcadia, in sunny Southern California's San Gabriel Valley, I'm Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.
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If you missed the address given by Andy it will repeated at the end of this weeks newscast. (Newsline Support Fund)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: KD5MDT REPLACES KC5FVF ON ISS EXPEDITION 6 CREW

Astronaut Don Pettit, KD5MDT, has been named to replace Don Thomas, KC5FVF, as a member of the Expedition 6 International Space Station crew. According to the ARRL Letter, Pettit had been training as backup flight engineer for the increment six team and was ready to step in.

NASA said the reassignment resulted from a medical issue that affects Thomas' long-duration space flight qualifications. According to Astronaut Office Chief Charlie Precourt, KB5YSQ, the demanding nature of long-term space flight requires a conservative approach to crew health issues, especially this early in the program. Pettit will join Expedition 6 Commander Kenneth Bowersox, KD5JBP, and Russian cosmonaut Nikolai Budarin, RV3DB. (ARRL Letter)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THE METEORS ARE COMING

Weak Signal operators -- listen up. The Perseid meteors are on their way.

Lee Wical, KH6BZF, says over the QCWA remailer that from midnight to dawn, on Monday August 12th and Tuesday August 13th about 60 to 70 meteors per hour will enter Earth's atmosphere. This particular meteor shower is created by the Earth passing through the debris field left from the Swift-Tuttle comet. The grain-like particles enter Earth's atmosphere, burn up and create what most

people call shooting stars.

The Perseid Meteor shower is not expected to be as spectacular as the Leonid Meteor shower that occurs each November. But, if viewing is good, people will not be disappointed. And if the ionized tails are good, ham radio meteor scatter D-Xers and WSJT users will be happy as well. (KH6BZF)

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INTERNATIONAL - UK: LONG WAVE GOODBYE

As predicted by Media Network, the loss-making sports station TEAMtalk 252, which broadcast to the UK on 252 kHz Long Wave from a transmitter in Ireland, has closed down. This, after less than 6 months on the air. The station ceased broadcasting at 1300 UTC on July 31st. (Media Network)

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INTERNATIONAL-CANADA: NEW RAC QUEBEC SM

Claude Paquet, VE2OCP has been elected as Radio Amateurs of Canada Section Manager for Quebec. This, for a two year term that will begin on November 1st. Paquet ran unopposed, eliminating the need for a balloted election. He has also agreed to complete the term of Richard Desaulniers, VE2DX who resigned for personal and professional reasons on August 1st. (RAC)

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DX

In D-X, G0TQJ he has now gone QRT from Afghanistan where he operate slash YA. During his say in Kabul Chris made 1950 QSOs on SSB and another 850 on RTTY. He is getting his QSL cards printed. He has also sent his documentation to the ARRL DXCC desk for approval. (GB2RS)

And the FISTS newsletter reports on the apparent pirating of callsign ZD7CW. The pirate is using CW and not very active. In fact, he was last heard in November of 2001. But the real ZD7CW has been inactive for several years. (Q-News)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A TRUE CAPTIVE AUDIENCE!

And finally this week the story of an interesting call sign operating from a rather unusual place in Ireland. Here’s Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB;

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From our files, the story of a captive audience. A permanent amateur Radio Station with the call sign EI0CRM -- you heard right -- C-R-M -- “crim” -- EI0CRM is being set up in of all places the radio museum of the Cork City jail.

Cork City jail opened for business in 1824 and was used as a prison until 1923. When Radio Erin was expanding in the mid 1920’s, it was located in this jail. Its call sign was 6CK.

The broadcasting studio is now fully restored and a fine display of radio artifacts are on permanent display. Have a listen out for EI0CRM
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Talk about a QSL card that you may want to keep under lock and key. (Q-News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Jim Damron, N8TMW, reporting from Charleston West Virginia. 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1245. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-10 21:01:01 UTC
From: "Peter A. Bonucci" <pbonucci@slonet.org>
Message-ID: <3D557F0D.2060104@slonet.org>
Source record: 3880

My son has been very interested in international contacts. He was very thrilled to hear Radio Japan on shortwave. I think that he would be even more excited to communicate with someone in another country. Propagation on 2 meters just won't do that from central California.

I am trying to avoid the US$1000 shack that gets used for three months and then gathers dust. I think that he will use 2 meters and when he learns enough to pass the technician test we'll get one.

He has been learning Morse code and I'd like to be able to set up a station for him, if he gets up to 5 wpm.

While the transceiver is a big part of the cost of a station, I'm sure there are other costs. What else do I need to consider? Key? Keyer? SWR meter? Antenna tuner? At this price range US$25 is 10% of the total cost and can't be ignored.

WG, thank you for sharing your story.

Peter A. Bonucci

WG wrote:

> Not being a US Ham I was basing my point in our Basic license and we can
> build anything for Ham Radio except transmitters and amps and are held to
> under 250 watts. With the ease of the basic license I can see why. I was
> under the impression that your Tec class was about the same.
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> He is looking for something for his kid and 2 meters is the way to get the
> interest going. I was only 13 and working on my ticket so my dad went out
> and got me a Kenwood TS-520 with ex. VFO and ex. speaker for about $1000.00
> to get me going. I lost interest a while latter and the radio spent more
> time on 11 meters then on the Ham bands. A little 2 meter rig would have
> been better as I already had a Drake SSR-1 receiver to do HF. 12 years after
> I got the 520 I finally got my ticket. I sold the 520 when I was 17 for
> about $100.00 as that was all it was worth after the general coverage
> transceivers got in to full swing. No question that they will get into a
> local club and most club actives happen on 2 meters, parade control, local
> nets and swap and shops. That is why I recommended a 2 meter HT also you can
> get one for less then $150.00 and still do world wide with the help of IRLP.
> If he does lose interest then he should be able to sell the HT off for what
> he paid for it as that they don't seem to be depreciating that much.
[snip]

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1246. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-10 21:42:42 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <aj41k7$2pg3$1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 3881

It can be difficult to set up a station for your budget. You might find some older transceivers in that price range. Maybe an old Yaesu 101 or Kenwood . You should allow about $ 100 for an antenna tuner with built in SWR meter. You may find used ones for less. Then about $ 20 to $ 30 for 100 feet or so of RG-8x coax (good price vers performance). You may be able to locate some rg-6 coax that is used in the cable tv or Direct TV instulations for free. It is 75 ohm stuff but don't worry about that. Hopefully you can find about 130 feet of # 12 to # 16 wire for an antenna for low cost at the local hardwear store such as Home Depot or Lowes. Some rigs have keyers built in but you will need a $ 50 or so paddle to use with that. Not sure what a standard key with a good feel to it will cost now. If the rig does not have a built in power supply then you are looking at another $ 100 or so. You can get a 2 meter rig new for not too much and you will need a power supply for that , so might as well get one big enough (atleast 20 amps and maybe 30)for a low band rig while you are at it.

It is difficult to get started for under $ 400 to $ 500 with a good station. I know it can be done if you look long and hard enough but that should be about the minimum buject for starters and hope you cn find the stuff for less.

> My son has been very interested in international contacts. He was very
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> even more excited to communicate with someone in another country.
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> cost and can't be ignored.

1247. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-11 01:50:34 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <Jpj59.80257$uj.43007@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3882

Peter -

Here are some web sites that I would recommend (Amateur 101)

Local amateur clubs - ARRL search engine
http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/club/clubsearch.phtml

The Art of Kitbuilding
http://ww2.netnitco.net/users/wt9w/kit%20building.html

Elecraft Kits
http://www.elecraft.com

Basic Soldering Guide
http://www.epemag.wimborne.co.uk/solderfaq.htm

Basic Electronics (okay its for Car Audio - but its same content !)
http://www.eatel.net/~amptech/elecdisc/caraudio.htm

Web EE (for fun and ideas)
http://www.web-ee.com/

Homebrew project organization
http://www.seits.org/features/homebrew.htm

IF you need a good solder station, drop me an separate e-mail. I have been repairing for Weller TCP stations for over 25 years - and would be happy to get you a quality tool (my Elmer service to new amateurs).
Q: Why is a solder station "better" than a non-temp controlled (unregulated) soldering iron?
A: A non-temp controlled iron *continues* to increase in tip temperature the longer it's plugged in -- up to 1100 degrees-F ! A solder station controls and maintains an exact tip temperature. In the case of 700 degree-F tips, you'll be soldering at a tip temperature of 400 degrees *less* than a non-temp controlled iron. A lower tip temperature with good technique, translates to better joints with less chance of damage to sensitive components -- IC's, etc. (The 700 degree-F Weller tips will *not* exceed 710 degrees-F.)

Q: Which tips do I use -- 700 or 800 degree-F ?
A: The 700 degree-F tips are typically recommended for single layer and double-sided PC boards -- even four-layer PC boards. This includes practically everything in the world of amateur radio kits & homebrew. The most common tip for the WTCPT station is the Weller PTA-7 (1/16" screwdriver tip). You might also want a PTD-7 for much bigger pads/lugs, and a PTJ-7 for longer-reach work -- or <gasp> rework ;) If you want to try surface mount, pick up a PTS-7 for a start. The 800 degree-F tips are recommended for

serious multi-layer boards -- 4 to 8 layer PC boards -- *not* typically used
for ham radio kits ;)

Greg
w9gb@arrl.net

"Peter A. Bonucci" <pbonucci@slonet.org> wrote in message
news:3D50BCD5.5050900@slonet.org...
> My son (9 years old) and I are working on getting our technician with
> code licenses and I would like to set up a HF station.
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> Because I don't know how long he will stay interested, I would like to
> keep this to less than US$250. Power levels down to 5 W and kits would
> be acceptable, if it keeps the price down.
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> I think that he would be thrilled to make international contacts and I
> would accept a single-band installation, if he could get a taste of DX.
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> So, what all do I need to give my son a taste of what HF is like without
> spending a lot of money?
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> Peter A. Bonucci
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1248. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-11 02:03:27 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <PBj59.32579$Z5.1163841@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3883

It is good to hear that your son is very interested in the hobby. He can go as far as he wants with this hobby. I must be clear on one thing I was not talking about propagation on 2 meters but using a relatively new technology that is set up on many repeaters around the world it is called The Internet Radio Linking Project or IRLP for short http://www.irlp.net/ . It was designed by David Cameron VE7LTD. You use a 2 meter radio to go in and out of the repeter and the internet is used as a backbone to link the repeaters world wide. I have worked Australia, the UK and many places in the US and Canada all from my HT. They even have a young peoples net on I think Friday nights on reflector 2 in Denver Colorado that is for young hams your sons age from all over the world. Below is a list of repeaters in California that are connected and you can see if their is one near you.

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GOOD LUCK

"Peter A. Bonucci" <pbonucci@slonet.org> wrote in message news:3D557F0D.2060104@slonet.org...
> My son has been very interested in international contacts. He was very
> thrilled to hear Radio Japan on shortwave. I think that he would be
> even more excited to communicate with someone in another country.
> Propagation on 2 meters just won't do that from central California.
>
> I am trying to avoid the US$1000 shack that gets used for three months
> and then gathers dust. I think that he will use 2 meters and when he
> learns enough to pass the technician test we'll get one.
>
> He has been learning Morse code and I'd like to be able to set up a
> station for him, if he gets up to 5 wpm.
>
> While the transceiver is a big part of the cost of a station, I'm sure
> there are other costs. What else do I need to consider? Key? Keyer?
> SWR meter? Antenna tuner? At this price range US$25 is 10% of the total
> cost and can't be ignored.
>
> WG, thank you for sharing your story.
>
> Peter A. Bonucci
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> WG wrote:
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> > Not being a US Ham I was basing my point in our Basic license and we can
> > build anything for Ham Radio except transmitters and amps and are held
to
> > under 250 watts. With the ease of the basic license I can see why. I was
> > under the impression that your Tec class was about the same.
> >
> > He is looking for something for his kid and 2 meters is the way to get
the
> > interest going. I was only 13 and working on my ticket so my dad went
out
> > and got me a Kenwood TS-520 with ex. VFO and ex. speaker for about
$1000.00
> > to get me going. I lost interest a while latter and the radio spent more
> > time on 11 meters then on the Ham bands. A little 2 meter rig would have
> > been better as I already had a Drake SSR-1 receiver to do HF. 12 years
after
> > I got the 520 I finally got my ticket. I sold the 520 when I was 17 for
> > about $100.00 as that was all it was worth after the general coverage
> > transceivers got in to full swing. No question that they will get into a
> > local club and most club actives happen on 2 meters, parade control,
local

> > nets and swap and shops. That is why I recommended a 2 meter HT also you
can
> > get one for less then $150.00 and still do world wide with the help of
IRLP.
> > If he does lose interest then he should be able to sell the HT off for
what
> > he paid for it as that they don't seem to be depreciating that much.
> [snip]
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1249. ICOM IC-W21E wideband rx

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-11 14:56:46 UTC
From: Mikael Fredriksson <freemason@telia.com>
Message-ID: <20020811.165645.352118606.1586@localhost.localdomain>
Source record: 3884
Cross-posted to: uk.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Hi!

I've got an old dual band rig that used to have wideband receieve. After some five years of power-loss, the hand held is back to 2m and 70cm. :(

Unfortunately I've lost the manual and don't remember which keys to press to enable the wideband rx.

NB that this is the W21E without built-in keyboard. All the patches I've found so far doesn't work, but I know that I succeeded patching it some five or ten years ago.

Please help, and respond by e-mail if possible. I will summarize here if/when I get some answers.

Regards,

Mikael Fredriksson /SM5SYO
sql@home.se

1250. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-11 19:20:40 UTC
From: "Peter A. Bonucci" <pbonucci@slonet.org>
Message-ID: <3D56B907.3030401@slonet.org>
Source record: 3885

Thank you for bringing up IRLP, I hadn't heard of it before. Two of the cities on your list are near here, so that is a real possibility.

I don't think that antenna height restrictions will be a problem here, since I live outside the city limits.

Peter A. Bonucci

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1251. New Board for Magnetic Loops

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-11 19:42:38 UTC
From: Andre Vaupel <avaupel@web.de>
Message-ID: <N6z59.127157$oB6.1070998@news.easynews.com>
Source record: 3886
Cross-posted to: nl.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur

Hello Dear OM!

Carsten (DF2DD) and Andre (DL4QB.that's me J) are enthusiastic user

of Magnetic Loop Antennas. I searched for information about Magnetic Loops

since a while and I found some very interesting stuff at Carstens Homepage.

There is nice a board with less but very helpful traffic. It was very
helpful

to collect the needed information as well. In the meanwhile, we improved the

Board System and we would like to spent an own Domain very soon J

We thought also about an English part within the Board System. This is now

done and can be used! It would be very nice to get some nice information,

hints and experiences of other Magnetic Loop users.

If you can suggest someone this board, we would be happy as well J!

There are already some docs in German available.if you like to understand
it,

Please ask me and I will translate it for you.

URL: http://www.df2dd.de (klick "Direkt zum Loopforum")

73 de Andre (DL4QB) and Carsten (Df2DD)

1252. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-12 00:56:09 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <JID59.22559$X5.3185132@news2.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3887

It is new and growing with leaps and bounds. Some of the old hams don't like it because it takes the skill out of working DX. They are the same ones that believe that all hams should be on HF and build all of the equipment themselves. I like it because I can't have the antenna so 2 meters and IRLP do the trick.

David has even found commercial interest in his system from companies that don't want to set up UHF backbones and so on.

You are very lucky that you are outside of an antenna restricted area.

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1253. Re: ICOM IC-W21E wideband rx

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-12 11:28:26 UTC
From: G1LVN <my_callsign@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <aj864q$49h$1@helle.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3888

Mikael Fredriksson wrote in message
<20020811.165645.352118606.1586@localhost.localdomain>...
>>
>Unfortunately I've lost the manual and don't remember which keys to press
>to enable the wideband rx.
>
>

this works for IC-Z1 (which I think is same/varient of rig):

push [B] + [$] key while turn on power switch

1254. Kenwood TH D7 TNC and windows 2000.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-12 16:51:54 UTC
From: karel vanderkerken <karelvdk@freegates.be>
Message-ID: <3d57e7ac$0$194$ba620e4c@news.skynet.be>
Source record: 3889
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio-shack,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

Hi all,

Has anyone tried to work a TH D7 TNC with W2K as operating system on the computer ?
I always receive "Communication timeout error" as message. The comport is OK, I use it to connect to my TM D700. I've tried different control applications (link 7, MCP D7 v1.2, ...) but the message is always the same. I tried every setting I could think of ...

Any suggestions ?

73's

ON1VK

please reply to : ON1VK@QSL.NET

1255. Re: ICOM IC-W21E wideband rx

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-12 21:30:32 UTC
From: G1LVN <my_callsign@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <aj99dn$q1s$1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3890

Mikael Fredriksson wrote in message
<20020811.165645.352118606.1586@localhost.localdomain>...
>Hi!
>Unfortunately I've lost the manual and don't remember which keys to press
>to enable the wideband rx.

press [B] and [$] as you power on. (works for an Icom IC-1Z which I think is
the same or similar rig)

1256. "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 10:25:28 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020813062528.20722.00000004@mb-fb.aol.com>
Source record: 3891

Been listening to 2m SSB a lot the last couple days because of the enhanced conditions with the meteor scatter and I've heard a couple guys calling "CQ scatter" and ending with "break". Is this normal operating procedure when working meteor scatter? It's always been my experience that "break" was reserved for emergencies on ham radio. Any opinions?
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1257. 2-meter rig in Honda Accord

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 11:35:10 UTC
From: TJWelch@aol.com
Message-ID: <2961c7be.0208130335.55d3ec52@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3892

I am trying to find the best way to install a 2-meter rig (Radio Shack HTX series) in a 1997 Honda Accord value pack. There is a shelf below the AM/FM radio, and ideally I would like to remove the shelf and fit the rig in its space. However, presumably as a theft deterrent, the shelf has prongs which go up behind the face of the AM/FM radio and is not easily removable.
Any suggestions about how to go about this? I would like to keep the shelf intact and not otherwise make any alterations to the vehicle that can't be reversed if I remove the rig.

1258. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 13:07:00 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3D590463.B54712CA@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3893

yes thats normal for MS
if you do a google search for it you will find a website or two telling the
technques for working meteors
and break break is used in emergancies on FM its more of a gentlemans agreement
than a rule

i was hearing MS on 6 last night very weak but there
good luck

VHFRadioBuff wrote:

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1259. Re: 2-meter rig in Honda Accord

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 13:10:10 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3D59051F.F4C0F4E2@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3894

i would suggest taking it down to your local CB shop or car audio place
that does installs and let them do it they know all the little tricks to
get those panela and stuff off with out distroying it
good luck

"TJWelch@aol.com" wrote:

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1260. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 16:50:04 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <0Na69.26238$eb.2003707@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3895

On Southern California repeaters oft heard is break -- indicating the need to get in quickly.
Most times it is non-distress -- just wants to join in, give info, or make a quick call for a buddy.
The proper way to join in is just your callsign followed by joining in, quick call please, info.

Break break should be used for an emergency or distress call -- but many do not follow this.

I hear break all the time on HF -- indicating a station wants to join in or has information.

However the ARRL page on repeaters advises not to use break unless you want to help in an emergency. Further they say break break is to make a distress call. See URL: http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/repeater1.pdf

Many Hams don't have a clue what the proper useage is -- so it is greatly abused.

Perhaps a hang over from CW where BK was used as a breakin or quick turn over - not necessarily a distress signal. It was a quick way to pass over to the other station or interject in a QSO.

Regarding Meteor Scatter -- there are five links to this subject at URL: http://ac6v.com/opmodes.htm#MS
None of them use break as far as I could tell. The protocol is pretty sharply defined.
Example CQA CQE CQN CQZ protocol for listening splits are recommended.

So CQ Scatter Break is maybe a single ops spin on things.
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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com
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1261. Re: Kenwood TH D7 TNC and windows 2000.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 17:44:26 UTC
From: No SPam <me@873456.com>
Message-ID: <3D59457A.BFAC1790@873456.com>
Source record: 3896
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio-shack,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,uk.radio.amateur

Reverse the recv and tx lines (2 & 3) on the serial interface between
the TH-D7 and the computer. These are diagrammed in a confusing way and
may be reversed.

Hyperterm should work - set 9600b. The TASCO message should come up
when you push the TNC button on the HT keypad. Be sure to push it twice
to get it out of APRS mode and into full TNC mode.

karel vanderkerken wrote:
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1262. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 20:43:12 UTC
From: rs2bk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020813164312.26420.00000091@mb-bd.aol.com>
Source record: 3897

Yes. The word "break" is and has been
used in meteor scatter for years.
It is used to indicate clearly, the end of your transmission due to the short
meteor bursts.

Jim Roseman w9ud
Moline, IL

1263. Newbie Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-13 22:33:28 UTC
From: jdavecobb@aol.comatose
Message-ID: <20020813183328.00779.00000136@mb-fl.aol.com>
Source record: 3898

I'm sure this is the millionth newbie question like this, but I'll ask it anyway. I'm sure to be grateful for any responses.

I just passed my General test last weekend and am looking to get started in AR. (This is my first license.) My initial interest is in long-haul HF comm - CW first and voice second. I'm generally aware of 2m/440 ops, but I'm not sure what the short-range/repeater ops will do for me.

What kind of start would you experts recommend for me? What bands do you find interesting? Why?

Thanks...

1264. HTX 242 mod gone wrong

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-14 00:21:51 UTC
From: Steve Forcht <va3sf@rogers.com>
Message-ID: <zoh69.4871$NBd1.106@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 3899

I attempted to do the mod for the HTX242 to allow TX on the MARS
frequencies.
This mod was just lifting a jumper. After the jumper was lifted, the radio
now only covers 144.000-145.995
I replaced the jumper but the same results. I have tried resetting the radio
as per instructions also.
Has anyone seen the problem before.
I now have a 2 meter mobile that only works the lower 2 meg of the band.

Steve VA3SF

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For Amateur Radio Links and Programs
http://www.qsl.net/va3sf

1265. Re: Newbie Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-14 01:06:04 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <ajcalt$2p4s$1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 3750

The low bands (below 30 mhz) are good for long range chats. To meet the local hams and to find out what is going on locally you can get on the 2M/440 repeaters.

There is jsut too much to do in ham radio to give a good answer as what to recommend. Do yo like to just talk , expirement , get into local or othe activities ? What do you like to do ? For the equipment, how much money do you plan on putting into the hobby for the initial investment and how much for each year for the next several years ?
Just as most any hobby you can spend a little or a lot and either have the same ammount of fun. Just like fishing, some have to have a big boat and truck to pull it with and lots of high dollar equipment or some will have just a flyrod (I admit they can cost a bunch) and a pair of waders and have just as much fun.

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1266. Re: HTX 242 mod gone wrong

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-14 12:25:01 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3D5A4C1D.1EF63617@rac.ca>
Source record: 3751

Hi Steve
Sounds like the wrong jumper
http://www.geocities.com/kb8qfl/htx242.htm
Shows
One jumper as 144 - 146 European band, (what you have ?)
One jumper 136 - 174 US emergency services
Both jumpers untouched as 144 - 148
Both cut radio does not work
These mods appear to be different from the one at mods.dk.
73
Peter
VA3PKH

Steve Forcht wrote:

> I attempted to do the mod for the HTX242 to allow TX on the MARS
> frequencies.
> This mod was just lifting a jumper. After the jumper was lifted, the radio
> now only covers 144.000-145.995
> I replaced the jumper but the same results. I have tried resetting the radio
> as per instructions also.
> Has anyone seen the problem before.
> I now have a 2 meter mobile that only works the lower 2 meg of the band.
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> Steve VA3SF
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> For Amateur Radio Links and Programs
> http://www.qsl.net/va3sf

1267. legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 01:49:00 UTC
From: Earth Wolf <aardwolf@telusplanet.net>
Message-ID: <3D5B0AA7.10000@telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3752

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Picture the following scenario: We are monitoring the ham frequency for the event when an injury occurs. The ham operator on scene reports the incident and the location; then switches to our commercial frequency (or has a second rig tuned to listen on our frequency).

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1268. Re: 2-meter rig in Honda Accord

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 02:32:05 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <FoE69.21654$983.31244@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3753

A Honda service manager should also be of assistance (owned an Accord for
over 10 years)

w9gb

<TJWelch@aol.com> wrote in message
news:2961c7be.0208130335.55d3ec52@posting.google.com...
> I am trying to find the best way to install a 2-meter rig (Radio Shack
> HTX series) in a 1997 Honda Accord value pack. There is a shelf below
> the AM/FM radio, and ideally I would like to remove the shelf and fit
> the rig in its space. However, presumably as a theft deterrent, the
> shelf has prongs which go up behind the face of the AM/FM radio and is
> not easily removable.
> Any suggestions about how to go about this? I would like to keep the
> shelf intact and not otherwise make any alterations to the vehicle
> that can't be reversed if I remove the rig.

1269. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 04:00:46 UTC
From: AB2HR <ab2hr@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <n0hmlu0phk0hvtnckjv48bl4jr11lkapf3@4ax.com>
Source record: 3754

On Thu, 15 Aug 2002 01:49:00 GMT, Earth Wolf
<aardwolf@telusplanet.net> wrote:

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Dunno about Canada, but in the US it's illegal to utilize Amateur
radio frequencies to communicate with unlicensed operators.

Raymond Sirois AB2HR
SysOp: The Lost Chord BBS
607-733-5745
telnet://thelostchord.dns2go.com:6000

1270. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 04:31:32 UTC
From: Earth Wolf <"Earth Wolf"@telusplanet.net>
Message-ID: <3D5B30BF.90705@telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3755

AB2HR wrote:

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Abstract from John Keogh's successful 2001 application for an Australian patent (Innovation Patent #2001100012) for the "Circular transportation facilitation device" (aka "wheel").

1271. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 04:41:17 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <NhG69.27012$X5.4718324@news2.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3756

As a former member of the BC Provincial Emergency Program, Deputy Communications Chief and a Ham I know the dilemma. Do any of your people have the Restricted Radio Operators License? It is a quick one day class that can get the interest going. Some hams are qualified to teach. The license is good for life and is one that everyone that uses a radio should have. I am off topic a bit but it is a suggestion. The other thing is to have the Licensed Ham having both radios and relaying. This can keep the confusion down but you must remember that in the case of an emergency you can use any means to communicate and that includes non-licensed operators. After listening to the Vancouver fireworks last Saturday I can tell you the Hams tend to give too much useless detail in the case of these events. A scanner in your communications center tuned to the ham frequency would also help. Most ham 2 meter radios will tune up to 160 MHz but do you want the Hams on your frequency? It is best to keep the communications apart and relay from a central dispatch. Too much help can cause confusion. I hope I helped

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1272. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 05:47:36 UTC
From: Paul N3EOP <n3eop@arrl.or.callsign.net>
Message-ID: <Xns926AE7DE3B60En3eophotmailcom@64.164.98.6>
Source record: 3757

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It's the *retransmission* of non-Amateur services (such as NOAA Weather Radio) on the ham bands that's illegal. (The sole exception is audio from NASA's space missions.)

1273. ZS1AN/P DASSEN ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE FINAL UPDATE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 12:31:30 UTC
From: Andrew ZS1AN <zs1an@remove-this.qsl.net>
Message-ID: <3D5B9F22.40402@remove-this.qsl.net>
Source record: 3758
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,alt.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio

As previously announced I plan to be operational from Dassen Island Lighthouse (IOTA AF-064, ARLHS SAF-042, WLA LH-0423) from 1600 UTC on Friday 16 August until 1200 UTC on Sunday 18 August for International Lighthouse and Lightship Weekend 2002. This message is the final announcement and includes the latest weather and operating information.

WORLD LIGHTHOUSE AWARD

The World Lighthouse Award has issued the number LH-0423 for Dassen Island lighthouse. This will be its first activation for the WLA. My thanks to Don W9DC for facilitating this. My QSL card will include the WLA number as well as ARLHS and IOTA information.

WEATHER

I have discussed the latest weather forecast with the skipper of the boat which will be taking me to the island. Although it is somewhat windier than hoped it is still likely that we will be able to make the trip on Friday afternoon and be operational by 1600 UTC on 16 August as planned. If the weather does not play ball on Friday then I will go on Saturday morning instead, in which case I should be operational by 0800 UTC on 17 August. I plan to operate until 1200 UTC on Sunday 18 August; however it is possible that the weather will keep me on the island longer than expected in which case I will remain operational until I am able to leave the island.

OPERATING SCHEDULE

I have updated my operating schedule to take into account the latest solar flux index forecasts for the weekend, which are substantially better than the forecasts I used previously. My planned schedule is as follows (all times UTC):

0500-0600 7026 CW
0600-0800 14026 CW
0800-0900 No operation
0900-1000 14026 CW
1000-1100 14226 USB (primarily for ZS lighthouses)
1100-1200 No operation
1200-1500 21026 CW
1500-1600 14026 CW
1600-1900 21026 CW
1900-2100 14026 CW
2100-2200 7026 CW

This schedule will be repeated on all days for which I am operational. Please see it as a guide only as my operating times and frequencies will take into account actual propagation conditions and I will take breaks to walk on the island etc.

Further information, including propagation forecasts, can be found at http://www.qsl.net/zs1an/dassen.html

QSL INFORMATION

Please QSL direct to

PO Box 350
Newlands 7725
South Africa

Please include a green stamp or IRC if you would like a direct reply; all others will be sent via the bureau.

If you are a FISTS member and your QSL card (with your FISTS membership number) reaches me before the end of September then I will QSL via the FISTS bureau at no charge. I intend to send a single parcel of cards to the FISTS bureau in early October. My FISTS number is 8921.

vy 73 de
Andrew ZS1AN

1274. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-15 13:06:01 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3D5BA739.EE7E5A0B@rac.ca>
Source record: 3759

Industry Canada

Radiocommunication Regulations RR Issue 5 (As amended)

47. A person who operates radio apparatus in the amateur radio service may only
a) communicate with a radio station that operates in the amateur radio service;.....

48. In a real or simulated emergency, a person operating radio apparatus in the amateur radio service may only communicate with a radio station that is in the amateur radio service in order to transmit a message that relates to the real or simulated emergency emergency on behalf of a person, government or relief organization

These documents are available at the strategis web site

http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/SSG/sf01709e.html

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Peter
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Earth Wolf wrote:
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1275. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-16 00:23:02 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <ajhgtbfuq1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 3760

Come on get it right.

Part 97.113

e) No station shall retransmit programs or signals emanating from any type of radio station other than an amateur station, except propagation and weather forecast information intended for use by the general public and originated from United States Government stations and communications, including incidental music, originating on United States Government frequencies between a space shuttle and its associated Earth stations. Prior approval for shuttle retransmissions must be obtained from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Such retransmissions must be for the exclusive use of amateur operators. Propagation, weather forecasts, and shuttle retransmissions may not be conducted on a regular basis, but only occasionally, as an incident of normal amateur radio communications.

This speciffically states the WX transmissions are ok.

Part 5 probably applys in this case.

(5) Communications, on a regular basis, which could reasonably be furnished alternatively through other radio services.

However this is for the United states. I am sure that Canadian rules are differant.

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1276. Yaesu Factory Service???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-16 01:16:37 UTC
From: cbhoelzel <n4bjx@naxs.com>
Message-ID: <3D5C5275.DAE973B1@naxs.com>
Source record: 3761
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hello, friends -

Here is a story that may give you something to think about if you are considering a radio purchase.

Some years ago I bought a Yaesu FT-5100 dual band (2m/70cm) transceiver. It has worked quite well for me. However, over the past two years I have noticed that the liquid crystal display has begun to show a crescent shaped black mark in the upper center. So far this has not caused any problems, but I can foresee that it will grow and eventually the display will be unreadable.

I spoke to my favorite dealer and he told me that he could get it repaired with a shorter turn around time than if it went directly to Yaesu. OK, I said let's give it a try. Unfortunately, his technician promptly sent it to Yaesu.

After nearly six weeks, Yaesu told the dealer that there was more wrong than just the display. It had also lost power - that is it was putting out about 20-25 watts instead of the expected 50. Cost of total repair would run in the neighborhood of $450.

My response was "just fix what I asked for, no more"

Yaesu's reply was to the effect that it was an "all or nothing deal". They would not just replace the display.

At that point I said don't bother, just send it back. Consider that I can at this time buy any of the following from AES:

Yaesu FT-7100M $300
Kenwood TM-G707A $300
Icom IC-207H $300

Why in the world would I spring for half again as much to repair the 5100 when all three of these mentioned have more bells and whistles?

If someone from Yaesu wishes to defend their all or nothing policy, I will be happy to listen. Until then it will be a cold day in Hades before I purchase another Yaesu product. In the meantime, buyer beware.

Chuck
N4BJX

1277. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-16 01:52:16 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@dialpoint.net>
Message-ID: <ajhm4ljjl1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 3762

Nothing..

If you had read the post I made to the bottom, you would have seen the disclamer. I was just correcting another post that was made by another US ham. Don't know how the topic ever got off to the US FCC rules anyway.

> I have a real stupid question. What does part 97 have to do with a ham
> Canadian Ham in Canada?
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> Chuck
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1278. Kenwood TH 225A repair

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-16 02:44:02 UTC
From: lrm <jmann1@cinci.rr.com>
Message-ID: <SFZ69.15413$N9.1878408@twister.neo.rr.com>
Source record: 3763

On disassembleing my 225A h t for repair, a black wire that was connected from the front case assembly to the I F board became disconected from the front case board. There are also 2 ribbon cables that connect betwen these boards. They are ok. One end of the black wire is soldered to a lug which is held to the I F board with one of the I F board mounting screws. I dont know at what point the other end is soldered on the front case board. The schematic or pictorial doesnt show this wire. May be a static ground. Everything seems to work ok without it. Can anyone help on this?
Thank You

1279. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-17 01:54:42 UTC
From: Earth Wolf <"Earth Wolf"@telusplanet.net>
Message-ID: <3D5DAEFE.1050602@telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3764

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Date: 2002-08-17 02:41:25 UTC
From: WG <nojunk@mail.com>
Message-ID: <pJi79.828$1L4.96559@news1.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3765

Remember a ham can dispatch for the Service but the Service dispatcher can't dispatch the Hams. That is why you need the ham in the dispatch center then you will have no trouble even if the dispatcher is un-licensed so long as the ham is in control. The police ware I was made it mandatory that everyone on our teem including the hams had a Restricted Land ticket to use their radios. It is a good first level license to get and useful.
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members connecting the circular rim with the hollow cylindrical member to
maintain the circular rim and the hollow cylindrical member in substantially
fixed relation, wherein the rod is positioned on an axis perpendicular to
the plane of the circular rim, and substantially central of the circular
rim.
>
> Abstract from John Keogh's successful 2001 application for an Australian
patent (Innovation Patent #2001100012) for the "Circular transportation
facilitation device" aka "wheel".
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1281. FS: MISC OLD ELECTRONIC SEMI'S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-17 07:29:41 UTC
From: "MLK / ES.com" <mkatz3@cfl.rr.com>
Message-ID: <FXm79.198655$s8.3894623@twister.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3766
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,sci.electronics.equipment

List of NEW semiconductors for sale, in part or all

IC's

NE556 - 5
TL851C
MC14457P
MC14458
MC14511BCP - 5
MC14536BCP
LM339 - 2
75492 - 2
GD4066B - (USED PULLS)
74LS13

Transistors

ECG-101 (Dm colorvision T641) - 1
Motorola M-2N3055 - 12 (TO3)
ECG187 - 2
ECG103A - 2
ECG131 - 2
ECG172A
ECG171 - 2
ECG124
ECG127
ECG188
ECG113
ECG182
ECG185
ECG194
ECG103
SPECTROL 6215 - 5
SPECTROL 6219
2SB481
F - 256-10 - 518 (TO3) - 2
ECG105
NTE314
MOTOROLA JAN2N1412
GE-4 - 1PC
DELCO 2N277 - 2
466-AIC-7534 - 2PCS
2N1225 - 11
ETCO 2N1440 - 5

JAN 2N706 - 2
MOTOROLA HEP581
AD518JH - 3
PHILCO (GOLD) 2N1130
PHILCO (GOLD) 2N1129 - 3PCS
ST4346 (GOLD)
GE L14A502 (GOLD) - 2 (PHOTOTRANS)
1N547 (DIODE)

I HAVE A SMALL BOX WITH HUNDREDS MORE OLD PARTS, E-MAIL FOR PHOTOS. TOO MUCH TO GO THROUGH. MAKE OFFER

1282. F/S Radio Shack Pro 34

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-17 18:00:39 UTC
From: jammtc2000@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <cd33b517.0208171000.1e7d1bf4@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3767

I have for sale a radio shack pro 34 scanner in excellent electronic condition.

Emphasis is on electronic because the battery door is broken (flops around) and there are marks on the side of the unit.

This scanner picks up real good, has good audio, squelch kicks in a Around 20 - 25% and of course, naturally no gaps!!!!

Items included: one (1) pro 34 scanner
one (1) repaired ac adapter
one (1) standard rubber duck antenna

I will pay the ground shipping charges!!!!!!

First offer over $55 gets it !!!!!!!!!!!!

Sorry only payments via paypal accepted for this one time offer.

You may check my ebay feed back by using the user id jammtc on ebay.

Please make paypal payment as well as inquiries to jammtc2000@yahoo.com.

I will reply to all email within fourty-eight (48) hours.

Thanks,

jodia

1283. Re: legal question - duplex communication with non-hams?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-17 19:01:00 UTC
From: Earth Wolf <"Earth Wolf"@telusplanet.net>
Message-ID: <3D5E9F8D.6080804@telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3768

WG wrote:

>Remember a ham can dispatch for the Service but the Service dispatcher can't
>dispatch the Hams.
>
Hmm - sounds like I need to go back and re-read the regulations before I
shoot myself in the foot :-)

>About the scanner I take it that your people know not to act on anything
>unless it is right in front of them unless they are dispatched to do so?
>
Probably not. In fairness, it's never come up before - we have our own
radios and our own channels and up to now, have worked exclusively
amongst ourselves. It's only within the last year (for obvious reasons)
that a big fire has been lit to update our Emergency and Disaster
Response planning.

>I would also recommend that you take up most of your questions with Industry
>Canada. They are a good bunch of guys and a great source of information.
>
I will probably also join the local ARES chapter when I get a chance.

Again, thanks to everyone who responded.

Earth Wolf (replace "Earth Wolf" with "aardwolf" at telusplanet.net to
respond)

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In accordance with a first aspect of the present invention, there is provided a transportation facilitation device including a circular rim, a bearing in which a hollow cylindrical member is rotatable about a rod situated within the hollow cylindrical member, and a series of connecting members connecting the circular rim with the hollow cylindrical member to maintain the circular rim and the hollow cylindrical member in substantially fixed relation, wherein the rod is positioned on an axis perpendicular to the plane of the circular rim, and substantially central of the circular rim.

Abstract from John Keogh's successful 2001 application for an Australian patent
(Innovation Patent #2001100012) for the "Circular transportation facilitation device" aka
"wheel".

1284. Form 610

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 11:55:42 UTC
From: BC <fred@flintstone.net>
Message-ID: <I1M79.45323$EJ4.1261583@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3769

I've been inactive as a ham for about 3 years. In that time I moved. I just went to the fcc web page to find form 610 to change my address, and it wasn't even listed. Am I recalling the wrong form, or has it changed or something?

Thanks
BillC - KB2WMG

1285. Re: Form 610

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 15:11:23 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <uOO79.151256$UU1.26229@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3770

Bill -

Welcome back to the hobby. The FCC Form 610 is history, and no longer used.
All of the following information was obtained from the ARRL web site:
www.arrl.org

Here are the "new" necessary FCC forms:
http://www.arrl.org/fcc/forms.html

You may also have to the RF Safety Certification
http://www.arrl.org/fcc/RFSAFIN2.pdf

You may have also missed the FCC Restructuring Order of Amateur Radio on
December 20, 1999
(Something for the new Millennium)
http://www.arrl.org/news/restructuring/

W9GB
ARRL member since 1972

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> changed or something?
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> Thanks
> BillC - KB2WMG
>
>

1286. Re: Yaesu Factory Service???

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 15:17:36 UTC
From: w9gb <gregory.beat@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <kUO79.84837$me6.10655@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 3771
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Sounds like you do not own an automobile of this age.
Good luck, you are going to really surprised.

Maybe you should just lease the radio,
most people seem to lease their cars these days, so they always have a new one.

gb

"cbhoelzel" <n4bjx@naxs.com> wrote in message
news:3D5C5275.DAE973B1@naxs.com...
> Hello, friends -
>
> Here is a story that may give you something to think about if you are
> considering a radio purchase.
>
> Some years ago I bought a Yaesu FT-5100 dual band (2m/70cm)
> transceiver. It has worked quite well for me. However, over the past
> two years I have noticed that the liquid crystal display has begun to
> show a crescent shaped black mark in the upper center. So far this has
> not caused any problems, but I can foresee that it will grow and
> eventually the display will be unreadable.
>
> I spoke to my favorite dealer and he told me that he could get it
> repaired with a shorter turn around time than if it went directly to
> Yaesu. OK, I said let's give it a try. Unfortunately, his technician
> promptly sent it to Yaesu.
>
> After nearly six weeks, Yaesu told the dealer that there was more wrong
> than just the display. It had also lost power - that is it was putting
> out about 20-25 watts instead of the expected 50. Cost of total repair
> would run in the neighborhood of $450.
>
> My response was "just fix what I asked for, no more"
>
> Yaesu's reply was to the effect that it was an "all or nothing deal".
> They would not just replace the display.
>
> At that point I said don't bother, just send it back. Consider that I
> can at this time buy any of the following from AES:
>
> Yaesu FT-7100M $300
> Kenwood TM-G707A $300
> Icom IC-207H $300

>
> Why in the world would I spring for half again as much to repair the
> 5100 when all three of these mentioned have more bells and whistles?
>
> If someone from Yaesu wishes to defend their all or nothing policy, I
> will be happy to listen. Until then it will be a cold day in Hades
> before I purchase another Yaesu product. In the meantime, buyer beware.
>
>
> Chuck
> N4BJX
>
>

1287. Re: ICOM IC-W21E wideband rx

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 15:25:52 UTC
From: Mikael Fredriksson <freemason@telia.com>
Message-ID: <20020818.172552.1186452551.8200@micke.localdomain>
Source record: 3772

In article <aj99dn$q1s$1@knossos.btinternet.com>, "G1LVN"
<my_callsign@btinternet.com> wrote:
> Mikael Fredriksson wrote in message
> <20020811.165645.352118606.1586@localhost.localdomain>...
>>Hi!
>>Unfortunately I've lost the manual and don't remember which keys to
>>press to enable the wideband rx.
> press [B] and [$] as you power on. (works for an Icom IC-1Z which I
> think is the same or similar rig)
>

Nope! Sorry, it doesn't work... :(

73s

Micke /SM5SYO

1288. Re: Form 610

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 15:56:35 UTC
From: BC <fred@flintstone.net>
Message-ID: <8zP79.46529$EJ4.1411125@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3773

Greg,

Thanks for the reply, and thanks for the extra info. I'll dig into it so I
can
be sure to be current. With today's extra need to be aware and prepared,
my wife and I thought it a good idea to update everything.

I was aware of the license restructuring. We are both proud to be 13wpm
Generals. We wish we had gotten the Advanced licence prior to it's
elimination, but didn't have the time.

Thanks again, 73
BillC kb2wmg

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> > BillC - KB2WMG
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1289. Maxtrac Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 16:26:57 UTC
From: NJSCAN <njscan@lycos.com>
Message-ID: <fVP79.46545$EJ4.1427336@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3774

I've recently programmed a 42-50 Mhz Motorola Maxtrac to the 6M amateur band. I used the modification on the "Batlabs" page, adding some solder to get it to transmit beyond 50 Mhz. It helped, but only to the point where I can get full output to about 51.6 mhz. Beyond that, the power folds back to about 20W. Does anyone know of any modifications that can be done to extend the coverage by another 1 Meg or so? How about any other web sites that discuss the issue? Please, if you can help, drop me an E mail at njscan@lycos.com Mt ISP is having issues with USENET so I can't always access it. Thanks

Bob

Bergen County, NJ

1290. Re: ICOM IC-W21E wideband rx

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 17:48:21 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3D5FDDE5.18918BFB@rac.ca>
Source record: 3775

This is from www.mods.dk

1.Turn radio off
2.Press [B]+[#] switch and turn ON radio.
Depress [B] and [#] only when the display shows all functions and
the radio emits a beep.
3.Go to SET mode and a new function will appear after TONE
selection.The new function is designed by PL. Set PL to "1"for 1 MHz
frqcy. enter, to 10 for 10 MHz frqcy. enter and to 100 for 100 MHz frqcy.
enter resolution.

Note1:
This modification does not reset information saved on the CPU.

Note2:
Frequency range is 50,0-107,995 MHz FM
108,0-135,995 MHz AM (aviation band)
136,0-299,900 MHz FM
for the VHF portion;
300,0-999,900 MHz FM for the UHF portion.

Mikael Fredriksson wrote:

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>

73
Peter
VA3PKH

1291. Chalk-line antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-18 18:24:54 UTC
From: Carl Solomon <cdsol@swbell.net>
Message-ID: <3D600300.B25DAA90@swbell.net>
Source record: 3776

re: a previous post about a Yo-Yo, or RadioShack reel-in antenna...

Here's another cheap "down in the dirt" way to do it ...

Get a wind-up chalk line from the local hardware store. Take it apart
and
replace the chalk line on the spool with some 28 ga. Wire. Reel it all
in and
put whatever kind of connector you want, sticking out of the end of it.
You can do much better than just 40 ft.

/Carl
W5SU

1292. Re: Form 610

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-19 23:42:47 UTC
From: Paul N3EOP <n3eop@arrl.or.callsign.net>
Message-ID: <Xns926FAA03827Bn3eophotmailcom@64.164.98.7>
Source record: 3777

"BC" wrote:

> Greg,
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> Thanks for the reply, and thanks for the extra info. I'll dig into it
> so I can
> be sure to be current. With today's extra need to be aware and
> prepared, my wife and I thought it a good idea to update everything.

You'll have to obtain an FRN number. Start here:
http://www.qrz.com/i/fccsoup.html

The actual place to apply is:
http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/

Once you get your FRN and password set up, you can make all the changes to your license online. I fixed a misspelling in my address, and it was simple to do. No cost for hams to do it this way; if you go through a VEC to make the same changes, it will cost you a few dollars.

BTW, you'll need to get an FRN to renew your license... *unless* the FCC changes their system yet again in the next couple years!

1293. Re: Movies involving amateur radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-20 00:50:55 UTC
From: secret_studio@charter.net
Message-ID: <3d619252.32120436@news.charter.net>
Source record: 3778
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.misc

The name of the movie was "The Anderson Tapes."

73 DE PAUL N0YPS

On Mon, 19 Nov 2001 02:07:24 GMT, "Russ Thompson"
<russthom@nospam.home.com> wrote:

>When I was a novice (circa 1971) there was a movie about an armored car
>company heist in New York. Living next to the company was a young teen male
>in a wheel chair that called for help on his HW-101. That is all I remember
>about the movie, and can't remember the name. Sure would like to see the
>movie again. At 15, I thought the HW-101 was the cat's meow!
>
>DE KX5G
>
>

1294. Manuals on Ebay

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-21 01:39:05 UTC
From: hamateuradio@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020820213905.19349.00002043@mb-mg.aol.com>
Source record: 3779

Is it correct to assume that ALL manuals on Ebay are copies unless the posting line says "original"?

1295. Re: Manuals on Ebay

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-22 01:43:20 UTC
From: dummy <dummy@cris.com>
Message-ID: <YkX89.325555$q53.10435753@twister.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 3780

That would be a safe assumption. Definately look for 'original' in description and/or title. If you are in doubt ALWAYS email the seller beforehand and ask.

If you don't mind copies check out www.sarrio.com. Pretty decent: crisp text, clear pics. There is a guy from Canada (eBay ID is VE3VSP) that offers them on eBay. Nothing fancy but very high quality reproduction text/pix.

The best (almost like the original) is from http://www.radioreprints.com/ but they specialize in boatanchors.

Watch out for CD's. One one hand they can be very nice if it's indexed, PDF, etc.. On the other if it's just a bunch of scans/jpegs. it's next to useless.

73
AD5IU

"Hamateuradio" <hamateuradio@aol.com> wrote in message news:20020820213905.19349.00002043@mb-mg.aol.com...
> Is it correct to assume that ALL manuals on Ebay are copies unless the posting
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1296. Want Bird 43 manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-23 02:14:39 UTC
From: Philip Salem <kb5fls@cox.net>
Message-ID: <jUg99.4521$3L1.945@news2.central.cox.net>
Source record: 3781

I need a copy of a bird 43 manual.
Thanks,
Phil kb5fls@cox.net

1297. DIGITAL RADIOS £99

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-23 13:36:00 UTC
From: subs@tacitdesign.co.uk
Message-ID: <7ba201c.0208230536.104de276@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3782

For more details of this offer checkout todays news flash at
http://www.tenuouslinks.net

1298. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-23 19:10:55 UTC
From: bjorn890@aol.com4232534
Message-ID: <20020823151055.20408.00002341@mb-fv.aol.com>
Source record: 3783

>? It's always been my experience that "break" was
>reserved for emergencies on ham radio.

This is probebly not normal procedure, although break, when said once, can mean
"may I come in" but should not be used on CQ.
BJORN890

1299. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-23 19:14:09 UTC
From: bjorn890@aol.com4232534
Message-ID: <20020823151409.20408.00002342@mb-fv.aol.com>
Source record: 3784

Please excuse me, I didn't see the other comments. I have a slow connection.
Ignore what I posted, extermly sorry.
BJORN890

1300. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-23 20:09:12 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <IDw99.2377$Ic7.314619@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3785

At our ARRL convention here in Escondido, I asked a Meteor Scatter expert about this and he said that "CQ Scatter Break" has been a protocol for many years.

However, for proper recommended use of break -- see URL:
http://www.arrl.org/tis/info/pdf/repeater1.pdf

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com
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> BJORN890

1301. WTB: Motorola Spirit

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-24 00:32:37 UTC
From: JostTech <josttech@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <3D66D5AD.4090705@attbi.com>
Source record: 3786

UHF, 1 channel, P24SRD03F2 with battery, charger and antenna.
Please reply direct to my adddress.

Thanks in advance, john

1302. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-24 03:15:07 UTC
From: rs2bk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020823231507.23900.00001260@mb-bk.aol.com>
Source record: 3787

The word "break" has been use in meteor scatter propagation for years. It is
and has been, an accepted in the
meteor scatter comunity. It is used to
indicate the end of a transmission because
of the very short bursts meteor trails will produce on vhf.

Jim Roseman w9ud
Moline, IL

1303. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-24 03:42:23 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020823234223.28956.00002615@mb-ci.aol.com>
Source record: 3788

>It is used to
>indicate the end of a transmission because
>of the very short bursts meteor trails will produce on vhf.

It's funny you say that because what prompted me to ask this question in the first place is because I heard a local using this terminology, but it was after a very long CQ call.. what's the sense in making a long CQ call and ending with break? Since it's intended to be used to signify the end of the call because of the short bursts, shouldn't the CQ itself be short?
=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1304. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-25 03:28:58 UTC
From: rs2bk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020824232858.29060.00003473@mb-fk.aol.com>
Source record: 3789

Yes, the cq's must be short.This guy
evidently did not really understand
how meteor scatter works..

Jim w9ud

1305. ARNewsline 1306 - Aug 23 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-25 16:26:58 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020825122658.28122.00003801@mb-fi.aol.com>
Source record: 3790

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1306 August 23rd, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1306 with a release date of
Friday, August 23rd 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Europe prepares for another ham in space and a technology called AMBER Alert finds another kidnapped youngster. These stories and more are next on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1306 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BELGIUM TO LAUNCH HAM ASTRONAUT

Europe is about to launch another ham radio operator into space. He is from Belgium and the QSL cards are already being prepared as we hear from Jeramy Boot, G4NJH:

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Belgium's second astronaut to go into space is a radio amateur. Frank De Winne, ON1DWN, will join the International Space Station at the end of October this year. The exact timing of the flight is not yet available.

Gaston Bertels, ON4WF, who is Chairman of ARISS-Europe, has organized an amateur radio contact with the Belgian air force Royal Technical School. Bertels says that there may be other opportunities for operators to make contact with the mission as well. A full color QSL will be available. QSL cards and listener reports should be sent either direct or via the bureau to ON7AQ.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.

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More information will be made available as soon as a launch date is set. (GB2RS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BASS TO FLY

Another flight being watched is a Russian re-supply mission this October. One that may carry a United States pop music star as the third space tourist to the ISS.

After weeks of squabbling, Russian authorities announced late last week that teen heart-throb Lance Bass of the boy-band 'N Sync will probably travel to the international space station after all. Bass still has not paid any of the

estimated $20 million for his flight but a spokesman for Russia’s RKK Energia has also confirmed that plans for Bass' seat is being held for him and launch preparations are moving forward.

If Bass makes the trip to the International Space Station, he will become the youngest person ever in space. This title has been held since 1961 by former Soviet Union cosmonaut German Titov who was only 25 when he made his first flight. Bass was born in 1979 and is currently 23.

At airtime, Bass’s sponsors have indicated that his every waking moment on orbit will be pre-planned. This could mean no ham radio using the ARISS Amateur Radio station on board the ISS. (ARNewsline™ from published reports)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: UPS NOW NEUTRAL ON RFID TAGS

United Parcel Service now says it's neutral on a SAVI Technology's proposal to permit higher duty cycles than current Part 15 rules permit for Radio Frequency or RF ID tags. These are tags used for tracking shipments and packages, among other applications. The ARRL has said that adopting SAVI's proposals would result in severe and harmful interference to Amateur Radio and has opposed the plan.

And the ARRL Letter now reports that UPS recently clarified its position in an ex parte filing to the FCC. In its statement, the shipper said that it takes no position on the rule changes proposed in the SAVI Petition because they will have virtually no impact on U-P-S's shipping operations. Also, that the requests are inconsistent with efforts to promote international standards for RF ID tags. The change in position is highly significant because United Parcel Service has an equity interest in SAVI through its UPS Strategic Enterprise Fund. (ARRL Letter)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: AMBER ALERT SAVES ANOTHER KIDNAPPED CHILD

Some hams in California are looking at ways to tie their repeaters in after the states new AMBER Alert system has helped to safely locate yet another kidnapped youngster. Nichole Timmons vanished from her bedroom in Riverside California on Monday night August 19th. She was found the following afternoon in rural Nevada based on tips called in by motorists who recognized the description of the girl, her suspected abductor and the truck they were in.

A description was flashed on electronic road signs across several South-Western states as part of a multi-state alert. At about 2:40 p.m. on August 20th, Nevada police spotted the girl's former baby-sitter, Glen Park, and Nichole driving through the Walker River Indian Reservation north of Reno. A tribal police officer stopped the pair and Park was taken into custody. Riverside Police Chief Russ Leach told reporters that the arrest came about because Nevada state police used their AMBER Alert system and received a tip from a passing motorist.

As previously reported, the AMBER Alert system is based on a program developed by Dallas-area broadcasters and named in memory of nine year-old Amber Hagerman who was kidnapped and murdered in 1996. It uses a combination of two-way radio, telephones, fax and data communications to quickly spread word of a child abduction. In theory it could also be interfaced to ham radio repeaters and packet networking systems. More important, with Nichole Timmons return, the AMBER Alert system is now credited with safely recovering at least eighteen children since 1997. (ARNewsline from news reports)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Colorado Repeater Association systems serving Parker Colorado.

(5 sec pause here)

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EMERGENCY COMMS: REPORT SAYS NYC EMERGENCY RADIO SYSTEM FLAWED ON 911

Poor radio systems with no inter-operability contributed to the casualty count in New York City last September 11th. This as a report on the aftermath of the terrorist attack targets the city’s emergency radio system as not being adequate for the task that day. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, tells us what that report had to say:

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The report was prepared by high ranking New York City department officials aided by the management consultant McKinsey & Co.. It found that the rescue effort while highly, successful was hurt by a failure of city departments to work together, poor organization and a faulty radio communications system.

The radio system caught a lot of criticism. It was singled out as being the biggest problem after firefighters had entered the twin towers.

The report found that once inside, radio communications problems left many commanders and firefighters unable to communicate with each other. To make matters worse, the fire department's radios were incompatible with the police radio system and vice-versa. In other words, no inter-operability between police and fire and no direct radio communications between the two agencies.

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg has assured the city that the fire department's radios work properly in the future. This, regardless of the cost of improving it. Police are also considering opening the department’s citywide system of repeaters to the fire department in order to help solve the communication problem for future joint efforts.

Even with the radio problems an estimated 25,000 people were evacuated from the twin towers that day. Mayor Bloomberg calls it the most successful urban emergency evacuation in modern history.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW.

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As widely reported, ham radio operators were among the first on the scene in lower Manhattan. They operated using an array of their own equipment and networks providing communications to all who need it. Hams and their gear performed almost flawlessly in the hours, days and weeks following the September 11th terrorist attacks. (ARNewsline™ from published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: TAKE THAT LINK OFF THE AIR

The FCC has ordered a Los Angeles area ham to get coordinated or remove a repeater link from the air. Daryl Duckworth of the agency's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau explains the action taken:

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Duckworth: "We issued a letter to Leobardo Coronado, KC6PXL, of Sun Valley California, ordering that on receipt of this letter to KC6PXL, that an uncoordinated repeater link must be shut down until either coordination is obtained or a detailed plan is submitted that will prevent interference to a coordinated repeater operating on the link frequency."

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Coronado was warned that his failure to shut down the uncoordinated link will result in enforcement action that could include license revocation and a monetary forfeiture of up to $7,500. (FCC, RAIN)

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WITH THE FCC: FCC UNIVERSITY" LAUNCHED - CONTINUING LEARNING FOR THE FCC STAFF

The Federal Communications Commission has launched what it calls FCC University. This is a new program to ensure that FCC staff members have the cutting edge knowledge and skills to respond to the challenges of the communications field in the 21st century.

According to the CGC Communicator, FCC employees can choose from a vast array of courses on generally applicable subjects. There are also sections of FCC University that are specifically geared to meet the educational needs of engineers, economists and
lawyers working for the agency. Complete information on FCC University is on the web at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-225430A1.doc (CGC Communicator, FCC)

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CONVENTIONS & HAMFESTS: BIG BUSINESS IN HUNTSVILLE

In news from the ham radio business world, last weekends Huntsville Hamfest in Alabama may have signaled a turn-around for those who make their living selling ham radio gear. And that's good news for more than just Amateur Radio.
David Black, KB4KCH, reports:

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While a great deal of the world's Amateur Radio equipment is manufactured in Pacific Rim countries, most of it is sold right here in the United States. The majority of sales are by family-run businesses. And as the U-S economy sagged so did ham gear sales. Slow sales meant the end for some businesses. Others struggled to survive. Now, there appears to be a turnaround with word of a fantastic sales weekend at the Huntsville Hamfest in Alabama. How good was it? Chip Margelli, K7JA sells equipment for Vertex-Standard:

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Margelli: "Well, it has been a great show this weekend. The crowd was very active, especially Saturday morning and early afternoon. Sunday has been busier than normal and we have had great weather and a good turnout. A lot of boxes have been going out there door and there has been a lot of interest in the new products."
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Good sales aren't the only encouraging news at Huntsville. Event organizers are thrilled at other figures—the number of people attending. While the exact gate figure was not yet available, Hamfest General Chairman Scotty Neustadter, W4WW says it could be a near record year.

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Neustadter: "I was a little bit hesitant to think that myself. I try to error on the side of caution. But I was very, very pleased and I am thinking that we are definitely up from last year and the year before. The attendance would be a record for a Huntsville Hamfest with the exception of the year that we were the ARRL National."
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Neustadter's enthusiasm is echoed by Todd Mowery. He's with ATOC, the company distributing Alinco ham gear. Mowery says Saturday was especially good.

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Mowery: "Oh, I thought it was a very good weekend. Saturday was very crowded. Very impressive."

"I enjoyed it a lot. The booth was busy. We have quite a few new products over the last year that we put out -- mostly in the HT realm. And they have done really well for us. And the crowd that showed up yesterday enjoyed seeing those new radios."
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The most succinct evaluation of Huntsville probably comes from Gary Green, N4CJX, of Ten-Tech, who needs few words to describe how he feels about this Hamfest:

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Green: "We love Huntsville."
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Green says Ten-Tec will be back next year. Just about everyone else is saying they will, too.

From the Amateur Radio Newsline Southeast Bureau in Birmingam, I’m David Black, KB4KCH.

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One more word about this years Huntsville Hamfest. It concerns the D-X Banquet. Bill Hall, W4GBF, was one of the banquet planners. He tells Amateur Radio Newsline that for the first time in its history the banquet had more people want to attend than there were seats available. Hall could not talk with us very long. He was out scouting up extra seating. More on Huntsville a bit later in this weeks newscast. (ARNewsline™)

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CONVENTIONS & HAMFESTS: ARRL IN SOCAL

Successful ham radio conventions are not limited to Alabama. Information out of California indicate that the Southwestern Division Convention was also a success. Reports from San Diego say that there were plenty of vendors doing a brisk business and all of the forums were jammed packed. We spoke with Gordon West who was on the roof doing antenna work. He was one of the presenters at the convention and Gordo says it was two thumbs up show:

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West: “I’m up on the roof doing ATV antenna work and ATV as well as emergency preparedness was one of the many topics that we talked about at the Southwestern Division Concention. And boy-oh-boy was it busy. The aisles were packed on Saturday morning all of the way through Saturday evening and the outside exhibits of the emergency communications vehicles were well attended”
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Highlights included the FCC’s Riley Hollingswoth, K4ZDH, hosting a two-hour enforcement session and Bob Heil, K9EID, presenting his famed audio conference. One source tells Amateur Radio Newsline that there were about 1500 people who made the trek to San Diego for this show. (ARNewsline™)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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YOUTH IN HAM RADIO: 2002 YHOTY AWARD PRESENTED TO KB3GWY

Saturday August 17th was a special day for a Reading Pennsylvania teen. That’s when seventeen year old Josh Abramowicz, KB3GWY, became the 2002 Young Ham of the Year. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, was at the Huntsville Hamfest where the presentation was made:

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Abramowicz: “I share the enthusiasm of my colleagues at home when I say that ham radio extends many, many opportunities to the youth of America. There are many young people in our country that take an interest in our great hobby. Unfortunately, there are those who have not heard or seen our hobby and I believe that it is a great thing to spread our hobby as far, as wide and as much as we can.”
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That’s 17 year old Josh Abramowicz, KB3GWY, as he accepted the 2002 Amateur Radio Newsline Young Ham of the Year Award. Abramowicz was honored for his work in promoting Amateur Radio in and through the Boy Scouts of America. He says that its important to let other kids know about ham radio.

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Abramowicz: “The youth of America are interested, but in to many cases they never see any of the action that our hobby provides. Therefore, I think it is our job -- young and old -- to do our best to pass our hobby on to the next generation and this can be done in a lot of ways.”
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Abramowicz went on to detail how this can happen:

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Abramowicz: “I've done it through Venture Crews. There are also many other ways. There is youth groups, families promoting Amateur Radio to the youth in your neighborhood. They are the future of Amateur Radio. Much like a lot of our radios and a lot of our equipment, all it needs is one spark.”
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And after receiving his gifts from Amateur Radio Newsline, Vertex-Standard and CQ Magazine, KB3GWY turned the tables with a special gift of his own:

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Abramowicz: “I have here a couple of patches from the K2BSA station from the National Jamboree. These are limited edition patches with “Radio Scouting” written on it. There is K2BSA and it has the world symbol for Scouting. First of all I would like to present one to Mr. Bill Pasternak for his kind generosity. I’d like to give one to Chip from Yaesu for his kind generosity also the gentleman from CQ.”
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Josh then donated his major gift from Vertex Standard -- a Yaesu FT-817 to the Boy Scout Venture Crew he is involved with:

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Abramowicz: “I just want to say that the equipment will be going to the Venture Crew and the future efforts of our Venture Crew working with youth and getting them on the air. So thank you. (applause)
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And Amateur Radio thanks Josh Abramowicz, KB3GWY, for being another excellent example of ham radio youth at its very best.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA.

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Want to hear more? Well you can. We have the entire 13 minute ceremony posted as this weeks Newsline Extra. Just go to www.arnewsline.org and click on this weeks newscast number at the top of the main page. (ARNewsline™)

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INTERNATIONAL-UK: BIG UK 5MHZ EXPERIMENT FOLLOW-UP

The British 5 MHz propagation study using Amateur Radio is picking up speed. This as an increasing number of U-K hams apply for a Notice of Variation or N-O-V to let them take part. Once again, from Nottingham in the U-K here is Jeramy Boot, G4NJH:

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During the first few days of the 'Fivemegs Experiment' a large number of NoV holders have made contacts with each other across the UK. Radio amateurs in other countries are showing great interest in this experiment, but we must make it absolutely clear that this has been authorized in order that we may carry out propagation investigations, antenna experiments and some emergency radio training within the UK. At the present time a very small number of US radio amateurs are authorized to conduct similar experiments under the group call sign WA2XSY. We know of no other amateur stations outside the UK who have any authority to call in. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.

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More on the British 5 MHz experiment in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (GB2RS)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: NEW VE5 SM

From our friends up North comes word that Bruce Donovan, V-E-5-N-D was recently re-elected Radio Amateurs of Canada Section Manager in the Saskatchewan Section. This, for a two-year term that will begin on November 1st. Donovan ran unopposed eliminating the need for a balloted election. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL - JAPAN: HAM-FAIR TOKYO

The 24th and 25th of August, saw one of the world's largest ham radio shows takes place in Japan. It’s the Amateur Radio Festival better known as the Ham Fair and was slated for the giant Tokyo Exhibition Center. Last year Ham Fair attracted over 35,000 visitors. (JARL)

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DX

In DX, K3TKJ is active on 40 to 6 meters as C6ALW from Andros Island in the Bahamas. He is there until the 18th of September and activity is mainly on SSB, but with some CW on 6 meters. (GB2RS)

HF98JP is a special event call sign activated by SP9HWN through the 31st of August to celebrate the visit of Pope John Paul the Second to Poland. The station is active on 80 to 6 metros CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL as directed on the air. (Modern DX)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: LICENSE DRIVE

And finally the story of a license drive. Not a campaign to get people their ham license. Rather the tale of one determined applicant who could not wait. It took place down-under as we hear from Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

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Here's an amazing story of amateur enthusiasm that must be one for the record books. After many years of trying, Roscoe VK3TPJ was overjoyed on receiving news of his pass in CW. After all Roscoe has had a well-equipped HF station for years but hasn't been able to use it without supervision.

So enthusiastic was our Roscoe that waiting for the call sign in the mail was not for him. So he immediately jumped in his Falcon and drove 1000K up to Sydney to visit the ACA in person. He arrived at around 5am and waited a few hours for the office to open.

When it did, he was told he needed a passport photo to stick onto his new certificate. Undaunted, he went downstairs to an instant photo machine at Wynyard Station. Five minutes later he was back, photo in hand. Another five minutes elapsed and Roscoe was VK3KRH - authorized to operate on all amateur bands. The task achieved, he got in his car and drove straight home again - after just four hours in Sydney and a round trip of approximately 2000 kilometers!

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Congratulations to the new VK3KRH. You can catch up with him on 160 meter AM during the morning hours. (Q-News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Mert Garlick N6AWE saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1306. Re: RS-15 satellite question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-25 16:52:12 UTC
From: bjorn890@aol.com4232534
Message-ID: <20020825125212.20180.00003333@mb-ms.aol.com>
Source record: 3791

>unfortunately the bird is alive but: you should have at least 50 W to
>a 7 ele Yagi just to hear your weak signal... ; the beacon you can
>hear, but also, that there is no traffic at all :-((
>73, de Math, DL5ZBM / NY8M
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To bad RS-10 is no longer, that took very little to use.

There is plenty of DOS left in Windows, just make a boot disk!

1307. eQSL's...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 00:30:58 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <1996cb6d.0208251630.4183241e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3792

I just came across the eQSL website and found that I had 8 eQSL's waiting for me. Why do people send eQSL's without first checking to see if you use the service?! If I wasn't just browsing the net and stumbled across the site, I never would have known they were there. Maybe I'll pay the $1 per card and have 'em mailed to me. I am not concerned with them being "valid" for any awards as I do not really track awards, but if I DID decide to put in for awards eventually, are they valid?

1308. The typical Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 01:18:59 UTC
From: audiotest3@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020825211859.28630.00002316@mb-mn.aol.com>
Source record: 3793

The typical Ham is:
older Male,
overweight,
overly concerned about "Ham politics",
is ritualistic about the way they "Ham",
obcessed with Ham Radio,
non-technical (except about selecting antennas for their "rigs"

Most Hams are old men. There are few females in Ham Radio. The few young people in Ham Radio are often related to older Hams.

Ham Radio today makes one overweight. Otherwise, why would the great majority of Hams be overweight? "Contesting" is the essence of Ham Radio. Contesting is making as many contacts as you can withing a certain time period. Contesting is a low movement activity. As a result of less physical activity, and lack of restraint in one's diet, one becomes overweight.

Go to a Hamfest or Ham Radio meeting and you will see that this is true. The great majority of Hams are overwwight. Not just a little, but very overweight. True, the majority of Americans are overweight. But Hamfests show that a greater percentage of Hams are overweight.

Hams seem to be obcessed about the latest regulation related to their hobby. Their hobby seems to accomplish nothing. It is a meaningless activity to entertain oneself. Contesters make rapid fire contacts. They only exchange call signs, log in their contact, and then move on to the next contact. Hams seem get a thrill by doing this.

Hams have alot of rituals they follow, secret societies, codeword jargon. And I havent even mentioned Morse Code yet. Hams tend not to be technical, except when it comes to their antennas. Some take great interest and become quite good with antennas. However, the expertise stops there. Antenna knowledge is only useful in that it helps them select the best antennas for their radios. The goal of Ham Radio, dont forget, is to contest - make as many contacts as possible.

Hams are very obcessive about their hobby. The obcession is amazing. Hams try to mention Ham radio whenever they can and try to recruit. Hams get vanity licence plates with their callsigns on their plates. Hams will take a day off work if the Hamfest starts on Friday. One Ham said he moved to a particular state because he was a Dxer and there were better propogation conditions in that state!

The sad thing is Hams tend to find their contests interesting. Ham Radio needs to include more perspectives if it is to attract more members. Ham radio could be more interesting. It could have a variety of people, do interesting

activities, have interesting conversations, interesting do more technical things with radio. However, this is not what Ham Radio is today.

Hams do not usually achieve much besides winning "contests", which makes them feel good. Outside of Ham Radio, this means nothing. Within Ham radio, it tends to be forgotten with the next contest. There are many contests and their scores are published regularly in Ham magazines. As a result of their obcession, Hams have little time to accomplish anything else, and therefore are less successful. Ham Radio is a pathetic hobby, and the typical Ham is pathetic.

1309. Re: The typical Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 02:47:15 UTC
From: Richard Dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns9275E00B5C02Cjquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32>
Source record: 3794

audiotest3@aol.com (Audiotest3) wrote in
news:20020825211859.28630.00002316@mb-mn.aol.com:

> The typical Ham is:
> older Male,
> overweight,
> overly concerned about "Ham politics",
> is ritualistic about the way they "Ham",
> obcessed with Ham Radio,
> non-technical (except about selecting antennas for their "rigs"

Thing is, people are either going to ignore this or post an "FU" message, then go on their way. A better troll who wanted to start a real mess would post something that would draw people out, focusing their anger on each other or another group. Here though we can see that it's just you, discount the source, and go about our day.

Try again though. Maybe with practice...

Ben
KC9BAR

1310. Re: eQSL's...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 06:25:52 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3D69C9FF.6E9CBF22@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3795

i think at this time they are NOT valid in any contest or award other than what EQSL does themselves
as for why people send cards like that could be laziness or just assuming everyone is on it i know when i went there i too had a bunch there waiting for me
as for paying $1 a card why dont you just bring up the image on your screen and print it out on your printer would look nearly as good and a lot cheaper

"vhfradiobuff@yahoo.comspamsux" wrote:

> I just came across the eQSL website and found that I had 8 eQSL's
> waiting for me. Why do people send eQSL's without first checking to
> see if you use the service?! If I wasn't just browsing the net and
> stumbled across the site, I never would have known they were there.
> Maybe I'll pay the $1 per card and have 'em mailed to me. I am not
> concerned with them being "valid" for any awards as I do not really
> track awards, but if I DID decide to put in for awards eventually, are
> they valid?

1311. Re: eQSL's...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 10:07:46 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020826060746.28293.00002820@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 3796

>could be laziness or just assuming
>everyone is on it

And one of them was for a 6m contact into N. Ireland, in which I sent a QSL
card via snail mail... I suppose these people might not have paper QSL cards...
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1312. Re: The typical Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 10:08:46 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020826060846.28293.00002821@mb-ce.aol.com>
Source record: 3797

The typical Troll is:
one who posts topics just to try to get a rise from the population.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1313. Re: QSL Card Program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 12:22:47 UTC
From: Richard Heindel <rheindel@neo.rr.com>
Message-ID: <r4pa9.55920$N9.9101130@twister.neo.rr.com>
Source record: 3798

Hi Ozzy, try this link http://www.hfradio.org/wb8rcr/ . It's a really nice and easy to use card maker or you can use Word to make your cards.

73 Richard WB8KRN

1314. Re: QSL Card Program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 13:24:22 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <a_pa9.10130$lc7.1028717@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3799

Ozzy - there are six links to QSL Card Creators at URL:
http://ac6v.com/dealers.htm#CRE

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com
"WD4LVO" <wd4lvo@bellsouth.net> wrote in message
news:9%ga9.58327$%v4.1948021@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com...
> Can someone give me a link to a program(s) to creat your own QSL cards
that
> you can print on a printer.
> I am running windows XP.
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> Thanks Ozzy
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1315. Re: QSL Card Program

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 13:49:42 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <Wlqa9.10149$lc7.1032379@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3700

For roll-your-own cards -- eight to choose from at URL:
http://ac6v.com/dealers.htm#CRE

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com
"WD4LVO" <wd4lvo@bellsouth.net> wrote in message
news:9%ga9.58327$%v4.1948021@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com...
> Can someone give me a link to a program(s) to creat your own QSL cards
that
> you can print on a printer.
> I am running windows XP.
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> Thanks Ozzy
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1316. Driver distractions...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 14:40:49 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020826104049.02268.00003379@mb-cj.aol.com>
Source record: 3702

Check out this article on CNN's website:

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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1317. Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 14:41:36 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020826104136.02268.00003380@mb-cj.aol.com>
Source record: 3701

Ok, my last post got messed up... check out this article on CNN's website:

http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/ptech/08/23/digital.distractions.ap/index.html

How long until ham radio is looked at carefully with all OUR high tech stuff?
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1318. Re: Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 14:53:16 UTC
From: mikemost@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20020826105316.25061.00003392@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 3703

Well, if you get into an accident, cops will ask you if cell-phones were a factor. They are not going to ask if ham radio was a factor, primarily because there are so many other distractions, but also because they use their two-way's all the time. They are not as bad as cell-phnes, I can tell you from experience! But they are still a distraction.

73's,
Mike
KC2GFG/SKYWARN - NJ

1319. Barrett 550 HF Tranceiver Manual Sought

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 17:48:14 UTC
From: jt1uk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020826134814.02144.00004002@mb-cj.aol.com>
Source record: 3704

Can anyone give me a lead on operating information for the above? I have the Thompson-CSF 550L which I understand is a rebranded version.
Any info at all would be greatly appreciated.

John

John Tyers, Nottingham UK

1320. Re: Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 17:55:02 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020826135502.09163.00003689@mb-ml.aol.com>
Source record: 3705

>They are not going to ask if ham radio was a factor, primarily because
>there are so many other distractions, but also because they use their
>two-way's
>all the time. They are not as bad as cell-phnes, I can tell you from
>experience! But they are still a distraction.

I was once browsing through the user's manual for a Motorola mobile radio once and on the first page was a warning: "Do not operate this equipment while vehicle is in motion." Kinda silly if you ask me. Ham radio really can be a distraction, especially if using anything more than a 2m/70cm radio with the local repeaters programmed in. Once you start doing SSB and have to tune in stations, or if you're trying to find repeaters that you don't really know about, it can really get fun. :)
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1321. Re: The typical Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 20:37:23 UTC
From: Bill <jwgardiner@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <7kwa9.186583$983.305194@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3706

sounds like you failed the novice test...!!!

"Audiotest3" <audiotest3@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020825211859.28630.00002316@mb-mn.aol.com...
> The typical Ham is:
> older Male,
> overweight,
> overly concerned about "Ham politics",
> is ritualistic about the way they "Ham",
> obcessed with Ham Radio,
> non-technical (except about selecting antennas for their "rigs"
>
> Most Hams are old men. There are few females in Ham Radio. The few young
people
> in Ham Radio are often related to older Hams.
>
> Ham Radio today makes one overweight. Otherwise, why would the great
majority
> of Hams be overweight? "Contesting" is the essence of Ham Radio.
Contesting is
> making as many contacts as you can withing a certain time period.
Contesting is
> a low movement activity. As a result of less physical activity, and lack
of
> restraint in one's diet, one becomes overweight.
>
> Go to a Hamfest or Ham Radio meeting and you will see that this is true.
The
> great majority of Hams are overwwight. Not just a little, but very
overweight.
> True, the majority of Americans are overweight. But Hamfests show that a
> greater percentage of Hams are overweight.
>
> Hams seem to be obcessed about the latest regulation related to their
hobby.
> Their hobby seems to accomplish nothing. It is a meaningless activity to
> entertain oneself. Contesters make rapid fire contacts. They only exchange
call
> signs, log in their contact, and then move on to the next contact. Hams
seem
> get a thrill by doing this.
>
> Hams have alot of rituals they follow, secret societies, codeword jargon.
And I

> havent even mentioned Morse Code yet. Hams tend not to be technical,
except
> when it comes to their antennas. Some take great interest and become quite
good
> with antennas. However, the expertise stops there. Antenna knowledge is
only
> useful in that it helps them select the best antennas for their radios.
The
> goal of Ham Radio, dont forget, is to contest - make as many contacts as
> possible.
>
> Hams are very obcessive about their hobby. The obcession is amazing. Hams
try
> to mention Ham radio whenever they can and try to recruit. Hams get vanity
> licence plates with their callsigns on their plates. Hams will take a day
off
> work if the Hamfest starts on Friday. One Ham said he moved to a
particular
> state because he was a Dxer and there were better propogation conditions
in
> that state!
>
> The sad thing is Hams tend to find their contests interesting. Ham Radio
needs
> to include more perspectives if it is to attract more members. Ham radio
could
> be more interesting. It could have a variety of people, do interesting
> activities, have interesting conversations, interesting do more technical
> things with radio. However, this is not what Ham Radio is today.
>
> Hams do not usually achieve much besides winning "contests", which makes
them
> feel good. Outside of Ham Radio, this means nothing. Within Ham radio, it
tends
> to be forgotten with the next contest. There are many contests and their
scores
> are published regularly in Ham magazines. As a result of their obcession,
Hams
> have little time to accomplish anything else, and therefore are less
> successful. Ham Radio is a pathetic hobby, and the typical Ham is
pathetic.

1322. Re: The typical Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-26 21:35:50 UTC
From: Glenn <kd5jbn@NOSPAMadelphia.net>
Message-ID: <4o7lmug54ahc1d1skgm38okf2hkrgb7d5t@4ax.com>
Source record: 3707

Sounds like a Chicken Bander who flunked the element 2 test. (Hell my
9 yr old passed it with 99%)

On 26 Aug 2002 01:18:59 GMT, audiotest3@aol.com (Audiotest3) wrote:

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>are published regularly in Ham magazines. As a result of their obcession, Hams
>have little time to accomplish anything else, and therefore are less
>successful. Ham Radio is a pathetic hobby, and the typical Ham is pathetic.

1323. Need help on VFO-700S

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 01:09:11 UTC
From: W7KID <w7kid@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <XiAa9.189463$983.316325@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3708

I recently picked up a TS700SP in really nice shape, however the external VFO that I got with it doesn not work. There is nothing coming back from the VFO to show frequency on the TS700SP dial. The VFO looks like new. I'm wondering if there's anyone out there that has had experience with these, and might be able to point me in the right direction.

73s Ken & Sallie
W7KID & KD7NVZ

1324. Motorola Talkabout T5820 Mini Review

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 05:48:54 UTC
From: mdNOSPAM@xochiNOSPAM.com.invalid
Message-ID: <1fhjngo.r4m6k1xgcqm4N%mdNOSPAM@xochiNOSPAM.com.invalid>
Source record: 3709
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.family,rec.radio.amateur

I just purchased a pair of Morotola T5820 Talkabouts. My experience so far has been mixed. For comparison, my last radio was Motorola Talkabout T289.

In case you don't know (as it's not on Motorla's website yet) the T5820s offer 14 FRS channels and 8 GMRS channels, supposedly with 0.5 (FRS) and 1.0 watt (GMRS) power levels, and a vibrate mode.

Other functions are fairly standard for this level of radio: 38 privacy codes, scan mode, backlit LCD. Although bulkier than my T289, the overall length is the same. I was considering a T6400 or T7200.

Posivitve:
+ I like the analog volume knob. On my T289 it was a pain to adjust the volume level. The T6400 has been docked by reviewers because it has digital volume controls only.
+ Good price ($99/pair, although the T6400 has the same price with mail-in rebate)
+ Construction seems fairly sturdy.
+ Interface is straightforward.
+ Speaker volume is loud (too loud?)
+ The T7200 is huge by comparison.
+ Vibrate mode may be useful.

Negative:
- No weather channels.

- The LED is supposed to blink 2x/sec if the channel is busy. This seemed to only work sporadically.

- The lowest volume level is still quite loud (in a quiet room it wouldn't be usable in polite company).

- A recent in-city test gave about 0.6 miles on channel 8 (FRS) and about 1.0 miles on channel 7 (GMRS)
One radio was standing on the hilltop, the other was driving in a car. There were some low (1-2 story) buildings in the sightline, but much less than if both radios had been at ground level.
There was a noticeable improvement when we switched from channel 8 to 7, but the claims of "2 mile" and "5 mile" range seem hopelessly optimistic. I'd say a more realistic rating would be "0.5 mile" and "1 mile" for FRS/GMRS. (Unless one radio being in a car would severely compromise the range...I didn't test that possibility).

- I put a set of freshly recharded AA NIMH rechargeables
in both radios. One radio showed 3 bars of charge, the other
showed 2 bars. There doesn't appear to be a setting to
reflect battery type.

- Scan mode is not fast (About 2.5 seconds to cover 22 channels)
I put one radio in scan and transmitted
on the other radio, and with short transmissions the other
radio often failed to pick up the transmission. Also,
scan appears to only search for code 0 OR code X.
You can't scan for all codes at once.

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To send email, remove the invalid and nospams.

1325. TA-33

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 13:04:11 UTC
From: Rolf <thirsch@netwalk.com>
Message-ID: <3D6B7E1A.4080007@netwalk.com>
Source record: 3711

TA-33 3element Yagi on the ground
ready for pickup, elements still
assembled for proper length - was
1.3 or less on all 3 bands. $150.
Pickup in Columbus, Ohio Email to
thirsch@ameritech.net

1326. Hygain 12AVQ trap vertical

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 13:12:15 UTC
From: Rolf <thirsch@netwalk.com>
Message-ID: <3D6B7FFE.8030002@netwalk.com>
Source record: 3710

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HyGain AV 12AVQ 10-15-20M trap vertical - never been
installed. All hardware & instructions $ 85.00
For pickup in Columbus, OH or ship @ buyers expense
Email thirsch@ameritech.net
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1327. Re: Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 14:40:43 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3D6B8F78.719E33C@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3712

andy
the police have to be real careful in throwing stones like that have you seen the inside of a modern police car they have several radios a computer and video camera and god knows what else
so they cant say to much about us running a couple of radios in our cars

VHFRadioBuff wrote:

> Ok, my last post got messed up... check out this article on CNN's website:
>
> http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/ptech/08/23/digital.distractions.ap/index.html
>
> How long until ham radio is looked at carefully with all OUR high tech stuff?
> =-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1328. Re: Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 15:57:03 UTC
From: Ralph Mowery <rmowery@cetlink.net>
Message-ID: <akg7qsdte1@newsreader.cetlink.net>
Source record: 3713

The companies have to try and cover all the bases when it comes to anyting that can cause an accident. Do you remember the woman that dropped coffey on her lap in the car and got burned because it was hot ?

I have to sit in several half day classes every year at work on safety just because of things like this.

I was in one meeting being held by a company that makes big motor starter equipment. One of the selling points was that if a breaker cubical went bad it could be swapped out with out taking the power off all the others. Then in the book there is a great big warning about not doing that. It is normally safe enough but when dealing with 480 volts at 1000 amps they have to cover the bases. They tell you how to do it but if you do they are not responsiable for what hapens.

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1329. FS: Lots of radio equipment

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 19:11:01 UTC
From: radiosnstuff@aol.comNoJuNk
Message-ID: <20020827151101.18722.00002745@mb-me.aol.com>
Source record: 3714

We are cleaning out my fathers radio shop in Pennsylvania, and have a ton of stuff for sale, like CB Radios, Tubes, reel to reel tapes and recorders and lots more.

If you would like to find out if i have what your looking for email radiosnstuff@aol.com or visit us on the web at http://www.radiosnstuff.com

1330. Photos from lighthouse weekend, oz9hbo

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-27 20:12:41 UTC
From: Karsten OZ2KMP <delete-this-oz2kmp@qrz.dk>
Message-ID: <akgm7u$1o0e$1@news.cybercity.dk>
Source record: 3715

Photos from lighthouse weekend, oz9hbo

I have put a couple of photos from Bovbjerg lighthouse where OZ9HBO were QRV, during the lighthouse weekend.

So if you had any contact with us and would like to see some of the faces and antennas, you are very welcome to take a look.

The address is http://www.qsl.net/oz2kmp

Best regrads / 73s
karsten oz2kmp

1331. Re: The typical Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-28 11:51:05 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020828075105.00618.00003732@mb-cf.aol.com>
Source record: 3717

>you've failed to mention a few important points;

"Troll, troll, troll, troll, troll, troll, troll, troll, TROLL! WONDERFUL TROLL!"

"We have troll, troll, troll, troll, baked beans and troll."
"I DON'T LIKE TROLL!"
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
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1332. Icom IC-207H & Squelch in AM Mode

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-28 11:55:27 UTC
From: "Mark J. Bailey" <mjb@jobsoft.com>
Message-ID: <PS2b9.138550$Aw4.5744477@bin2.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3716
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Hello,

I just bought this radio at a hamfest the other day. I have read varying opinions on the net about it. However, for the money, it seems like a decent 2m/440 radio.

Anyways, my question is this. While on the AIR band in AM mode, why does it seem that you can't fully disengage the squelch??? On FM, you can turn the squelch all the way down and get white noise. However, in AM, it seems to always be there (no turning it down or off to get white noise and static). Futhermore, the display shows the message "Busy" and you can see some meter activity, but no breakthru YET you can get hear just fine those signals that go beyond a certain signal strength.

Am I missing something here? Do I have a problem with the radio? Is there some other parameter or mod to address this?

Thanks very much.

Mark

1333. Re: Icom IC-207H & Squelch in AM Mode

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-28 13:12:32 UTC
From: Dave Holford <holford@sympatico.ca>
Message-ID: <3D6CCC40.E199E5A3@sympatico.ca>
Source record: 3718
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.mods,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

"Mark J. Bailey" wrote:
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> go beyond a certain signal strength.
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> some other parameter or mod to address this?
>
> Thanks very much.
>
> Mark

I have a pair of 207's and both perform exactly like yours. I also have
a pair of T7's which do the same. And two different HF xcvrs which do
the same thing when I switch from AM to FM. The white noise with the
squelch open on FM is MUCH louder than on AM.

While writing this I decided to try a scanner, and changing modes on my
Radio Shack scanner causes exactly the same effect.

Unless I am missing something I think your rig is performing just fine.

I find that I have to listen carefully to hear the noise if I turn the
squelch down, a better clue is that the "Busy" indicator comes on when
the squelch is open.

73
Dave
VE3HLU

1334. Dish Net questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-30 02:13:26 UTC
From: oceanradio@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020829221326.21391.00000039@mb-fv.aol.com>
Source record: 3719

Sorry to use this group but I haven't found a better group.
Two weeks ago I found a Dishnet satellite TV receiver and antenna at a garage sale. It's brand new. I checked the az and el to Dishnet's 110W and 119W satellites and it looks as if I can see them so I installed the antenna today. I'd appreciate hearing from someone who knows how this system works. I have the manuals and plan to activate it about 1 October. The manual mentions another satellite at 67 or 68W. I wonder if that satellite is still used.
Tnx
JK
K4XC

1335. Re: Dish Net questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-30 03:10:09 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3D6EE1F4.D80FA55F@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3720

all those sats are used you are to use which ever one you can get the best signal strenght from

OCEANRADIO wrote:

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> K4XC

1336. Re: Dish Net questions

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-30 03:26:15 UTC
From: Tony M <amahar@snet.net>
Message-ID: <rBBb9.1622$LO4.606167190@newssvr10.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3721

For general DBS TV there are 6 positions for the satellites between the DBS providers. These are 61.5, 101 110 119 129 and 148.

Currently Dish uses 110 and 119 for their Americas Top 200, America's Top 150, and smaller programming packages. This sat dish they use is a parabolic (DISH 500) to pick up both 110 and 119 at the same time. They use the 61.5, 129, and 148 birds for HDTV, international, and local channels, but they need a seperate dishes.

Tony

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1337. ARNewsline 1307 - Aug 30 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-08-31 22:48:39 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020831184839.05672.00000590@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 3722

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1307 - August 30th, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1307 with a release date of Friday, August 30th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

Ham radio assists at a world development summit in Africa and hams in Michigan aid in the search for two missing girls. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1307 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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HAM RADIO IN ACTION: SUMMIT IN SOUTH AFRICA

Ham radio has played a vital role in a World Summit for Sustainable Development held in South Africa. It began on Monday August 26th. Just before the opening gavel fell Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, filed this report from Johannesburg:

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"Radio amateurs will be providing communications assistance at three main operational centers. Members of the South African Radio League's emergency communications arm Hamnet will set up facilities alongside the National Defense Force and the South African Police Services. They will be operating at the main convention center, at Campton Park near Johannesburg International Airport and in Pretoria near the Woodcliff airbase.

Radio amateurs will be using the extensive repeater network in the city as well as H.F.. ZS6BUU, the National Director for the South Africa Radio League's Hamnet has more details:

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ZS6BUU: "There will also be at least two mobile stations fully equipped to be available should the necessity arise. More vehicles can be called upon if needed.

One vehicle will be on stand-by should we need communications from Lancerial Airport. Now, Lancerial is an alternative airport should Woodcliff Airbase become clogged up with aircraft coming in from al over the world.

Hamnet is required to render emergency communications in association with the SANDF -- that's the defense force as well as our local

police. Hamnet regards this as a good exercise to test our preparedness and how we will be able to handle any emergency -- if and when one should come up."
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It goes without saying that many other radio amateurs will be available should the need arise.

I'm Hans van de Groenendaal, ZS6AKV, reporting from Johannesburg.

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The 10-day summit is being billed as the largest in U.N. history. It has been nicknamed Rio+10 because it marks the 10th anniversary of the landmark 1992 Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro.

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RESCUE RADIO: MICHIGAN HAMS HUNT FOR MISSING KIDS

They did not plan to get involved but a group of Michigan hams swung into action after a policeman in the town of Grand Haven knocked on the door of Andrew Young, N8ARY. The officer was going door to door looking for two missing area youngsters. On learning of the situation, Young decided to see what he could do to help:

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Young: "I called a friend of mine who is also an Amateur Radio person because he had a park across from his house where kids generally play. I asked him to keep an eye open for the two children. A few minutes later he called someone else on the repeater and asked them to do the same thing and a few guys heard it and just kind of assembled as a loose knit net."
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The person that Young called was Donald Smith, N8HCS, also of Grand Haven. He enlisted Smith to keep his eyes open for the two young girls. N8HCS assisted by David Cross, N3WJF, then called up an informal net that grew in size to about a dozen area hams. Most of the action was in the search:

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Young: "We sort of just stayed out on the street and interacted with people and reported anything we heard back to the net control."
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As the informal net grew into a formal operation, John Sundstrom, N8YQD was dispatched to be at the girls parents home. His job was to maintain contact after the net turned into a formal search. Coordination and central dispatch where in the hands of Don Meyer, KB8ODB.

The good news came when the girls were located by the police about two hours after the start of the net. This, thanks to a report from

a neighbor who saw the girls and called in.

Young says that with all of the recent abductions in the news, it is nice to see a community mobilize like this to find the missing children. Even better: In this case the search was a complete success. (ARNewsline™)

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EMERGENCY COMMS: GRANT AIDED ARRL TRAINING TO BEGIN

Word from the American Radio Relay League, that its Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Training Courses supported by a $181,900 federal Homeland Security grant will begin within a few weeks. As previously reported from an ARRL bulletin the League was among several dozen nonprofit organizations designated to receive some $10.3 million in federal money to boost homeland defense volunteer programs. During its first year, the grant will reimburse the cost of Level I ARRL Amateur Radio Emergency Communications Course training for up to 1700 volunteers. More information is on the web at www.arrl.org. (ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon in El Cajon California.

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RADIO RULES: VANITY FEE GOES UP SEPTEMBER 9TH

A new and slightly higher fee for vanity call sign applications will go into effect on September 9th. According to the FCC, applications received on or after that date will be subject to a $14.50 fee for a full ten year license term. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC WEIGHS INTO REPEATER FRAY

The FCC is weighing in on an ongoing repeater versus repeater dispute in Arkansas. The Agency's Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, explains:

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Duckworth: "We requested further information from Gerald Hogue, KD5CYA, of Conway Arkansas regarding continuing interference between his repeater and the AC5RU repeater. We had notified both parties some time sago that each was responsible for taking steps to minimize interference, but we are seeing no cooperation on the part of the KD5CYA repeater. Hogue has 20 days to respond."

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But the problem seems to have gone past the repeater versus repeater stage. Now users are getting involved and the FCC is taking action there as well. Again, the FCC's Daryl Duckworth:

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Duckworth: "On the same topic, the Enforcement Bureau has warned Ronald Lewis of Morrilton Arkansas, KC5BNN, about interference to users of the AC5RU repeater. I was pointed out Lewis that his license renewal comes up in June 2003 and that this matter must be resolved if he is to receive a routine renewal."
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In its letter to Lewis the FCC said that it will not tolerate deliberate interference between the two repeaters. Also that it does not care if the interference is from a transmission by one of the repeaters or by a user of one of the repeaters making a broadcast intended to degrade the other repeater. Either way, it must stop. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: MORE TROUBLES FOR FAX.COM

More problems for fax.com – the direct fax advertising company recently hit with a 5 point 4 million dollar fine by the FCC. Now a California businessman says that he wants a lot more from the firm in punitive damages for being spammed.

Steve Kirsch, a Silicon Valley executive is suing fax.com for two-point-two trillion dollars. Yes we said trillion with a capitol T. And Kirsch says that he has filed the litigation because he believes that to be the amount consumers should get if the proper penalty is assessed for each and every junk fax ever sent by fax.com, plus triple damages as permitted under federal law.

Kirsch is founder and chief executive of Propel Software in San Jose. He decided to pursue the class action suit after he got a torrent of unsolicited faxed ads. Kirsch estimates an unwanted fax wastes ten cents for the cost of paper, ink and fax machine wear and tear. (Published news reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: BASS WILL FLY IN OCTOBER

According to the latest news reports, Lance Bass of the boy band 'N Sync will fly to the International Space Station in October. Hollywood producer David Krieff, who has arranged financial backing for the performer's space venture, says that Russian space agency executives and attorneys recently flew to Los Angeles and spent eight days hammering out a 400-page flight agreement with Bass' representatives. Krieff said Bass is slated to blast off October

28th from the Baikonur Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan with two cosmonauts on an eight-day Soyuz "taxi" and resupply mission to the space station. Krieff also disputed remarks attributed to a Rosaviakosmos spokesman Sergei Gorbunov that the Russian space agency might scrub Bass from the mission because he had failed to meet a payment deadline.

Bass hopes to follow in the footsteps of the world's first two space tourists -- American businessman Dennis Tito and South African millionaire Mark Shuttleworth. There is still no word as to whether or not Bass might operate the ham station on board the I-S-S, but the entertainer was scheduled to talk with school children from the Johnson Space Center in Houston on August 29th over the Internet. This, using NASA's Distance Learning Outpost and Education Web Portal. (Published news reports, NASA release)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FORMER HAM TO HOST REVIVAL OF TV GAME SHOW

Donny Osmond, the former KA7EVD, will be helping to bring a legendary television game show back to the small screen. USA Today reports that starting in September, Osmond will be the host of Pyramid, a syndicated revival of the game shows created and hosted by Dick Clark in the 1970s and '80s.

According to Los Angeles ham radio lore, Osmond was reportedly mentored into ham radio in the early 1980's by the late Art Gentry, W6MEP. This, when Osmond and his sister were taping the Donnie and Marie Show at the Golden West Studios in Hollywood. Gentry, who was employed there as a Broadcast Engineer is best known for his development of the FM repeater – a device that changed the way most hams operate on the VHF and UHF Amateur Service bands. He and his wife Millie, K6JJN, were also mentors to many Los Angeles youngsters wanting to enter ham radio. (USA Today, ARNewsline™)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: DARA NAMES SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Gary Des Combes, N8EMO Chairman of the Dayton Amateur Radio Association Scholarship Committee has announced the recipients of the clubs 2002 scholarship program. Named to receive financial support for their future education are Thomas Tenaglia, K3TAT; William Bailey, KF4VAU; Victoria Morgan, KF4PNI; Nicholas Bishop, KG6JSA; Jeanne Hansen, KB2RAP; Sara Hanna, KE6MWX; Jeffrey Doub, KC8IOC; Michael J. Haessler, KB9TGF and Amy Morris, KI6F. Scholarship awards run between $1000 and $2000. (DARA)

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: NEW LINK-COMM SOFTWARE ENHANCES REPEATER CONTROLLERS

Attention repeater owners. If your system uses a Link-Comm controller, have we got good news for you.

Steve Srobel of Link Communications has announced that new programming software for the RLC-1 Plus, RLC-2, RLC-3, RLC-4, and RLC-Club is now available. The new software allows you to program messages, timers, autodial numbers, etc. with a point-and-click interface. It also provides a way to manually edit and upload a file of other advanced commands.

The best part is that it can be downloaded for free from www.linkcomm.com/quickstart.html. You can email feedback about the program to mark@l... (Repeater Owners Remailer)

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: COMMEMORATIVE PIN FROM KENWOOD

Kenwood Communications is offering a commemorative "United We Stand" pin with the purchase of any new Kenwood Amateur radio. The offer is good in the United States only and began on August 20th. It runs till further notice. More information as on the web at www.kenwood.net/ama_page.cfm (Kenwood Communications)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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CONVENTIONS: CB'ERS TO MEET DOWN-UNDER

Are you into C-B radio? Do you like to travel? Would you like to go to a week long C-B Break? Well here's a convention for you.

Q-News reports that the Albatros C-B Radio Club will be holding its annual convention the week of September 14th to the 21st. That's right it is a week long C-B show with all the trimmings. New gear. lectures and what have you.

It all takes place in the city of Ballina. That's down-under -- in Australia. (Q-News)

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HAMFESTS: LIMARC IN NEW YORK SEPTEMBER 15TH

Closer to home, LIMARC, the Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club will be holding its fall hamfest on Sunday, September 15th. The venue is Briarcliffe College in Bethpage, New York. Gates open at 6:30 AM for vendors and for the general public at 8:30 AM Eastern time. More information is in cyberspace at www.limarc.org or call

the 24-hour info line at 516-520-9311. (LIMARC)

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HAMFESTS AND CONVENTIONS: NRC TO WEBCAST

The National Radio Club will hold its annual convention the Saturday and Sunday prior to Labor Day. N-R-C is a group made up of Medium Wave D-X radio listeners with the club founded back in 1933. And in past years the club has set up a carrier current radio station in the hotel where its conventions are held. Normally you cannot hear the broadcast outside the hotel grounds, but this year could be different. This is because the carrier current station will be helped by a broadcast remote pick-up channel that will be used to send the audio across town to a server that will distribute it as a webcast. The frequency to be used belongs to WLIO television in Lima Ohio. Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, explains what will happen.

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W8HDU: "At the hotel we're going to place a small walkman radio connected
to an old remote pickup unit. The transmitter is on 26.410 in narrowband
FM, and it will relay back to WLIO's studios where the club will have its
server encoding the data stream. The transmitter runs about 40 watts into
a CB type antenna, and it IDs every 10 minutes with the call WPLP549. The
ID won't be heard on the webcast as it's filtered out at the receiver."
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If you hear this broadcast, you can get a QSL by sending an accurate report to Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, in care of WLIO Television, 1424 Rice Avenue, Lima Ohio 45805. (NRC, W8HDU)

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INTERNATIONAL-AUSTRALIA: VANDALISM AND BULLETS ON THE AM BAND

On the international scene, the staff of Brisbane Australia commercial AM station 4BH are in shock after what appears to have been a deliberate attack on the radio station's twin broadcasting towers. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the details:

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4BH broadcasts on 882 kHz and although now a DMG music station is probably better known from it's "glory days" as the Queensland Key Station of the Macquarie Broadcasting Network.

Police are investigating an incident just before 9 o'clock Monday August 19 which saw both broadcasting towers have their guys cut with

what appears to have been bolt cutters, which sent them crashing to the ground, putting the radio station off air, and coming to rest just meters away from a caravan park.

The broadcast industry in Brisbane rallied around, SWITCH AM a public community access station at Long Pocket on 1053 kHz has gone "off air", donating their transmission facility to the Commercial station. 4BH was back on air just 27 hrs later at just some 800 watts, instead of their 5kW, using a retuned 1053 TX and tower, retuned thanks to Radio TAB engineering staff winding some 11 heavy duty inductors.

This incident is unprecedented and has ramifications for all commercial radio broadcasters and the Commercial Broadcasters Industry Association has said "While it is hoped that this situation will not occur again it may be advisable for stations to review, and where necessary, upgrade security arrangements at their transmission facilities".

This is the same site which saw thieves using bolt cutters gain entry to steal some 2 dozen satellite dishes belonging to Radio TAB early in the year. Allegedly the 4BH studios in suburban Stones Corner were fired upon recently, at least one bullet penetrating an office.

From Q-News Australia, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Investigators have not been disclosed whether the three incidents are related. (Q-News)

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SPECIAL EVENT: DRAKE ON THE LAKE

Back on this side of the Pacific, Greg Compton, N5ZFW, reports over the Internet that the Cherokee County, Texas Amateur Radio Club will be operating special event station called "Drakes On the Lake." This taking place the weekend on September 14th and Sunday the 15th.

The station, using all vintage R.L. Drake gear will be operated on the shore of Lake Jacksonville, which is near Jacksonville, Texas on 20, 40 and 80 meters. Callsigns to be used are AD5KM or KI5P. QSL with a 9 by 12 SASE to Brad Low, AD5KM, 840 Henderson Street Jacksonville, Texas, 75766. (From Internet posting)

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DX

In D-X, members of the 8Q7ZZ youngsters' DXpedition to the Maldives have returned home after a highly successful operation. Mark Haynes, M0DXR, reports that the group made over 25,000 QSOs between the 30th

of July and 10th of August, including around 330 on 6 meters. The QSL manager for 8Q7ZZ is Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH. (GB2RS)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: CELL PHONE RELIABILITY

And finally this week, a graphic example of how the cellular telephone network can hiccup at the most inopportune time. Earlier in this newscast, we talked to Andrew Young, N8ARY, up in Grand Haven Michigan. Andrew was using a cellular phone. One of the topics that he and our Producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, were discussing was the reliability of these devices. Guess what happened next:

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Pasternak: "It seems to me that more and more hams are carrying cellphones than HT's. Have you noticed that also?

Young: "Yes. Myself, I have a cellphone that rarely works when there is a busy time -- like during some sort of event. When a lot of people get in one area mu cellphone almost never works and usually I have t...."

Phone line sound: "click. click."

Pasternak. Hello.... Hello.... I think your cellphone stopped working."
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Talk about a graphic example happening at the most convenient time. Thats right. The cellular phone system up in Michigan did what so many seem to do. It abruptly went away.

Ham radio is always there when you need it. Another good reason to always carry your H-T when you are out and about. (ARNewsline™)

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No before we go, a special word of congratulations to Amateur Radio Newsline reporter Cathy Anno, KB0FDU. This on the birth of her third child -- a boy named Conner William Anno born on Friday August 23rd. Little Conner weighed in at just over 6 pounds and was 19 1/2 inches long. Cathy describes her new son as being -- and we quote -- "just

perfect." And less we forget, Cathy, her husband Darren and little Conner are all doing just fine.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I'm Norm Seely, KI7UP, saying 73, and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1338. FND-159 7-seg display surplus source

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-01 14:31:58 UTC
From: marty@ba-watch.org
Message-ID: <c378df4.0209010631.2b5dd428@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3723
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc

I have a OptElectronics FC-50 counter that has 7 of 8 bad ones

This counter'd be a $11 hamfest treat as-is.

Does anyone have a bag or these diaplays that'd part with a
half-handfull for a couple of bux & postage?

Thanks

Marty

1339. Re: FND-159 7-seg display surplus source

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-02 04:25:34 UTC
From: blackm00@cam.org
Message-ID: <6447bcd3.0209012025.14f1e82f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3724
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.misc

marty@ba-watch.org (Marty Reynolds) wrote in message
news:<c378df4.0209010631.2b5dd428@posting.google.com>...
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> half-handfull for a couple of bux & postage?
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> Thanks
>
> Marty

If I was trying to fix this, assuming this is just a 7-segment
readout and not one of those readouts with decoder+latch+counter,
would be to find out what it is. Find out the size, whether it's
common cathode or common anode, what side the decimal point is on,
and perhaps even current consumption. Find the data sheet, and
you'll get this information.

Then, find some available readout that matches the necessary requirements,
and buy those. Buy a full set, and replace them all, to avoid
differences between types.

I just checked my ECG replacement guide, and it wasn't listed
in there. That would have made it really easy to check.

It seems a tad odd that 7 out of 8 have gone bad. If the one
that still works is the right most readout (ie the least significant
digit), you might look elsewhere assuming you have verified bad
readouts. The circuit might have blanking on unused readouts,
and the LSD is on simply to show that things are working; when you
apply a signal, the needed digits will light up. Or, the circuit
may multiplex, and the portion that does the multiplexing isn't
working properly.

Micahel VE2BVW

1340. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-02 16:07:46 UTC
From: Steve Silverwood <kb6ojs@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <MPG.17dc5ffeaf049ba989689@news-server.socal.rr.com>
Source record: 3725

In article <3D50BCD5.5050900@slonet.org>, pbonucci@slonet.org says...
> My son (9 years old) and I are working on getting our technician with
> code licenses and I would like to set up a HF station.
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> Because I don't know how long he will stay interested, I would like to
> keep this to less than US$250. Power levels down to 5 W and kits would
> be acceptable, if it keeps the price down.
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> I think that he would be thrilled to make international contacts and I
> would accept a single-band installation, if he could get a taste of DX.
>
> So, what all do I need to give my son a taste of what HF is like without
> spending a lot of money?

An excellent first rig is the Kenwood TS-520. I still have one as a
backup. Full power rating is 100 watts, but you can always step that
down. Supports CW and SSB operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters.
All solid state except the final amplifier stage, which uses a tube.

You can usually find these for around $250 in good condition. Check
eBay and the rec.radio.swap newsgroup.

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-- //Steve//

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1341. Re: "CQ scatter...break"?!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-02 16:07:46 UTC
From: Steve Silverwood <kb6ojs@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <MPG.17dc60a29e6f566198968a@news-server.socal.rr.com>
Source record: 3726

In article <0Na69.26238$eb.2003707@news2.west.cox.net>, ac6v@amsat.org
says...
> Many Hams don't have a clue what the proper useage is -- so it is greatly
> abused.

Probably from a lack of proper Elmer-ing, or too much exposure to CB....

Rumor has it that prolonged exposure to RF energy in the 11-meter range
causes severe brain damage.... ;-)

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-- //Steve//

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1342. Re: eQSL's...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-02 16:07:47 UTC
From: Steve Silverwood <kb6ojs@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <MPG.17dc617638e4673498968b@news-server.socal.rr.com>
Source record: 3727

In article <1996cb6d.0208251630.4183241e@posting.google.com>,
vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com says...
> I just came across the eQSL website and found that I had 8 eQSL's
> waiting for me. Why do people send eQSL's without first checking to
> see if you use the service?! If I wasn't just browsing the net and
> stumbled across the site, I never would have known they were there.
> Maybe I'll pay the $1 per card and have 'em mailed to me. I am not
> concerned with them being "valid" for any awards as I do not really
> track awards, but if I DID decide to put in for awards eventually, are
> they valid?

What probably happened was that someone just uploaded their logbook in
ADIF format to the eQSL server. I do that on a routine basis. The
system then cross-checks with other eQSL users and when a match comes up
it automatically "sends" an eQSL.

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1343. WTB: Ameritron ALS-500M or ALS-60

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-02 18:03:34 UTC
From: "Brian H." <scots.man@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <WJNc9.3226$sd2.145@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3728

I'm looking to buy an excellent condition, 100% functional Ameritron
ALS-500M or ALS 600 Amplifier. Best price paid. Contact me with description
of what you have and price etc

Thanks
Brian

1344. Re: eQSL's...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-02 20:14:17 UTC
From: vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux
Message-ID: <20020902161417.03215.00000692@mb-mp.aol.com>
Source record: 3729

>What probably happened was that someone just uploaded their logbook in
>ADIF format to the eQSL server. I do that on a routine basis. The
>system then cross-checks with other eQSL users and when a match comes up
>it automatically "sends" an eQSL.

I wasn't even an eQSL user though...
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1345. Callsign engraved on badge ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-02 22:04:44 UTC
From: lombryt@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <db35a0c.0209021404.533e244c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3730

Hi,

Some weeks ago I found on Internet, may be trough the QRZ links but I can nomore find it, a provider of badges.

This company sold metallic badges (oval, about 8cm x 5cm or so) made probably by electrolyse displaying your callsign, a date plus some text. The badge looks like the one of the police and can be attached in a wallet or on any other support to be displayed on your desk for example.

Does someone know the URL of this manufacturer, in USA I think.

Thanks

Thierry
ONL5183

1346. Kenwood TH-F6A Output To Computer Line In

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-03 02:45:47 UTC
From: Felix <felix@risny.com>
Message-ID: <vnVc9.16284$VW5.3514@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3731

Hi,

I have a problem. I'd like to connect my Kenwood TH-F6A HT to my computer's Line In so that I may decode some signals I receive. I went to Radio Shack, and bought a regular Audio Cable and Connected it to the Radio, and my computer. But for some reason the Radio starts to act weird, it will switch VFOs, it will change Frequencies. Also it produces alot of noise on the Input. When I unplug it the radio is quiet, but when I plug the cable back in, it's loud and lots of interference.

I realize that the interference is coming from the Computer. But is there a quick fix for this? Or is there a commercial product i can purchase that will easily allow me to connect my radio to my computer?

Thank you very much,
Felix

1347. Re: Kenwood TH-F6A Output To Computer Line In

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-03 22:43:57 UTC
From: ALice <Alice@Kramden.Moon>
Message-ID: <NWad9.392696$m91.15515167@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3732

Don't do that! A straight cable is not going to work - two different electrical interfaces despite having the same mechanical interface. Look at your owner's manual, there is a diagram of the pinouts (guess you've looked at that) note the ":Level Convertor" in the schematic. You need RS-232 on the PC side and TTL on the radio side, thus the level convertor. Search the web, they (convertors) are out there.

"Felix" <felix@risny.com> wrote in message news:vnVc9.16284$VW5.3514@nwrddc02.gnilink.net...
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> in, it's loud and lots of interference.
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> I realize that the interference is coming from the Computer. But is there a
> quick fix for this? Or is there a commercial product i can purchase that
> will easily allow me to connect my radio to my computer?
>
> Thank you very much,
> Felix
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1348. Re: Kenwood TH-F6A Output To Computer Line In

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-03 22:49:29 UTC
From: Felix <felix@risny.com>
Message-ID: <Z%ad9.4350$YL.3237@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3733

But all i want to do is just get the audio to the line in on my computer why
do i need to connect it to the serial port on my computer?

Thanks,
Felix

"ALice" <Alice@Kramden.Moon> wrote in message
news:NWad9.392696$m91.15515167@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com...
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1349. Re: Callsign engraved on badge ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-03 22:59:41 UTC
From: lombryt@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <db35a0c.0209031459.37d5ca04@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3734

lombryt@hotmail.com (Thierry) wrote in message
news:<db35a0c.0209021404.533e244c@posting.google.com>...
> Hi,
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> Some weeks ago I found on Internet, may be trough the QRZ links but I
> can nomore find it, a provider of badges.
>
> This company sold metallic badges (oval, about 8cm x 5cm or so) made
> probably by electrolyse displaying your callsign, a date plus some
> text. The badge looks like the one of the police and can be attached
> in a wallet or on any other support to be displayed on your desk for
> example.
>
> Does someone know the URL of this manufacturer, in USA I think.
>
> Thanks
>
> Thierry
> ONL5183

"Truman" send me the URL that can maybe interest others :
http://westid.com/amateur.htm

Thanks

Thierry

1350. Re: Kenwood TH-F6A Output To Computer Line In

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-03 23:48:49 UTC
From: ALice <Alice@Kramden.Moon>
Message-ID: <BTbd9.394119$m91.15561249@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com>
Source record: 3735

Oh, interpreted it as the usual PC-to-radio connection for programming the memory, etc. D'oh.

In that case, I'd slap some ferrite cores on the cable.

"Felix" <felix@risny.com> wrote in message news:Z%ad9.4350$YL.3237@nwrddc01.gnilink.net...
> But all i want to do is just get the audio to the line in on my computer why
> do i need to connect it to the serial port on my computer?
>
> Thanks,
> Felix
>
> "ALice" <Alice@Kramden.Moon> wrote in message
> news:NWad9.392696$m91.15515167@bin5.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com...
> > Don't do that! A straight cable is not going to work - two different
> > electrical interfaces despite having the same mechanical interface. Look
> at
> > your owner's manual, there is a diagram of the pinouts (guess you've
> looked
> > at that) note the ":Level Convertor" in the schematic. You need RS-232 on
> > the PC side and TTL on the radio side, thus the level convertor. Search
> the
> > web, they (convertors) are out there.
> >
> >
> > "Felix" <felix@risny.com> wrote in message
> > news:vnVc9.16284$VW5.3514@nwrddc02.gnilink.net...
> > > Hi,
> > >
> > > I have a problem. I'd like to connect my Kenwood TH-F6A HT to my
> > computer's
> > > Line In so that I may decode some signals I receive. I went to Radio
> > Shack,
> > > and bought a regular Audio Cable and Connected it to the Radio, and my
> > > computer. But for some reason the Radio starts to act weird, it will
> > switch
> > > VFOs, it will change Frequencies. Also it produces alot of noise on the
> > > Input. When I unplug it the radio is quiet, but when I plug the cable
> back
> > > in, it's loud and lots of interference.

> > >
> > > I realize that the interference is coming from the Computer. But is
> there
> > a
> > > quick fix for this? Or is there a commercial product i can purchase
that
> > > will easily allow me to connect my radio to my computer?
> > >
> > > Thank you very much,
> > > Felix
> > >
> > >
> >
> >
>
>

1351. New Ham Radio Auction Site

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-06 00:23:12 UTC
From: JP <jp@honk.org>
Message-ID: <QzSd9.178546$8aG1.94316@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 3736

Hello Everyone,

I would like to let you all know that there is a new website
that caters to Amateur Radio Items wanted and forsale.

At this time, it is for items located within the Ottawa, Ontario
Canada region. However if it is successfull, it may be opened up
for items across Canada.

Special thanks goes to http://Auction-Ottawa.Com for their
services and helping out our Amateur Radio Community by providing
this new & FREE service.

If you are looking for various Amateur Radio related equipment, feel
free to visit this new site.

http://www.auction-ottawa.com/cgi-bin/ham_radio/suite/classifieds/classified
s.cgi

Enjoy!

James
VA3JPX

1352. help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-06 02:20:32 UTC
From: n9lda1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020905222032.25179.00001514@mb-fw.aol.com>
Source record: 3737

I am looking for some help on indtalling my rohn 50' tower.

PROBLEM IS THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

He wants a current engineer stamp on a print rohn is 1988 and they said it has not change but he wants a current stamp.

Without sending a lots of $$$$$$$$$$$
I am just trying to get my ares/races sykwarn station back on the air

help

bob

1353. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-06 02:43:59 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3D781632.C1335779@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3738

well i dont think your going to do it cheap
what the inspector wants in the installtion engineered you will need to find a structural engineer so him the plans and he will stamp them as being up to code
what you might try doing is calling the local EOC or the county and see if they have an engineer on staff who might do it probono since its for ares/racees and emergancy communications
if not its going to cost you around $500
i think if you go to rohns website you can get the details on the tower base and such but with out the stamp the inspector wont pass ya and since you already asked about it your screwed if you would have just put it up its easier to beg for forgiveness than it is to fight city hall
good luck

N9lda1 wrote:

> I am looking for some help on indtalling my rohn 50' tower.
>
> PROBLEM IS THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
>
> He wants a current engineer stamp on a print rohn is 1988 and they said it has
> not change but he wants a current stamp.
>
> Without sending a lots of $$$$$$$$$$$
> I am just trying to get my ares/races sykwarn station back on the air
>
> help
>
> bob

1354. Re: 4-1000

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-06 13:52:33 UTC
From: Landshark
Message-ID: <Bq2e9.836$637.73270518@newssvr21.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3739
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,tw.bbs.rec.radio.amateur

"I Own George" <wa3moj@aol.com> wrote in message
news:BQVd9.406430$q53.13870918@twister.austin.rr.com...
>
> "IMTHEWALRUS" <georgerulez@randysuxs.com> wrote in message
> news:2hVd9.466145$2p2.18456928@bin4.nnrp.aus1.giganews.com...
> >
> >
> > "I Own George" <wa3moj@aol.com> wrote in message
> > news:R9Ud9.190654$eK6.5347355@twister.austin.rr.com...
> > >
> > > "Bob" <federalhillguy@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> > > news:al915s$1o0fu9$1@ID-84760.news.dfncis.de...
> > > > You are a complete moron if you "run it on the chicken band".
> > > > "crossfire" <noone@home.com> wrote in message
> > > > news:1031274550.963453@nnrp1.phx1.gblx.net...
> > > > > Does anyone here know what I can expect in watts out of this amp
> with
> > 2,
> > > > > 4-1000's and what will I need to drive it on the chicken band?
> > > > > TNX
> > > > > World Wide Crossfire
> > > > >
> > > > >
> > > >
> > > >
> > >
> > > Wow! A nitwit from the smallest worm of a state in the Union posted
> this?
> > > Doesn't Rhode Island have about the same GNP as Allentown, PA? Is the
> > state
> > > even big enough to warrant a Wal-Mart store of their own? Who cares
what
> > > Rhode Islander's think. Certainly not the rest of the country.
> >
> >
> > Yes here is where the infatuation occurs, LOL it consumed Landshark so
> much
> > he killfiled me and couldn't stop himself from replying to me. I see a
> > pattern developing here. First you make up an aol account with the
wa3moj
> > callsign, you then start posting to the NG with the wa3moj addy, next
you
> > start making up posts about conversations between us, your mistake was

> > posting using the email address as your own which tells me you are the
one
> > who made up that wa3moj Aol account. You then post from (xgnon?)
> anonymously
> > trolling the NG with all types of posts. I see your game Randy create
> havoc
> > then blame George , Doug and Aaron. Funny part is your not that bright
and
> > got popped, not hard to put 2 and 2 together.
> > I can feel the love.
> >
> >
>
> It's OK, George. I know I own you, you know I own you. But hey, I'll play
> along with your little "manly" charade so that Nancy doesn't find out.
It's
> just between us, OK.
>
> One more thing, George. Be careful that you don't hurt your little brain
in
> the process of trying to keep all this imaginary stuff you've concocted
> straight. OK, little buddy?
>
>

Enjoy Randy! I liked how it "consumed" me, I
post twice a day, when George Busch WA3MOJ is
on here all during the day, posting on average 200+ times in a
month........ROTFLMAO!.....what a troll George is. All the harassing,
sexual innuendo, racist, accusatory style posts made towards practically
everyone here.
He's an extra class ham operator that talks like this here,
because he can't on the ham bands and in person, the true
epitome of a troll, why else would he have some 250+
screen nics and change it on average every 6 days.
So please George, spew your normal foul language
and have fun troll.....

Landshark

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If you are implying that people, who
hold ham licenses, should be somehow
held to a higher moral standard than
the "common man", then that would
be faulty logic. A ham license is only
a "permit" to use radio, it is not a
"badge of morality".

1355. Re: New Ham Radio Auction Site

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-06 16:20:51 UTC
From: JP <jp@honk.org>
Message-ID: <DB4e9.110989$GK2.68066@news02.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com>
Source record: 3740

Here is the correct URL:

http://www.auction-ottawa.com/cgi-bin/ham_radio/suite/classifieds/classifieds.cgi

"JP" <jp@honk.org> wrote in message
news:QzSd9.178546$8aG1.94316@news01.bloor.is.net.cable.rogers.com...
> Hello Everyone,
>
> I would like to let you all know that there is a new website
> that caters to Amateur Radio Items wanted and forsale.
>
> At this time, it is for items located within the Ottawa, Ontario
> Canada region. However if it is successfull, it may be opened up
> for items across Canada.
>
> Special thanks goes to http://Auction-Ottawa.Com for their
> services and helping out our Amateur Radio Community by providing
> this new & FREE service.
>
> If you are looking for various Amateur Radio related equipment, feel
> free to visit this new site.
>
> http://www.auction-ottawa.com/cgi-bin/ham_radio/suite/classifieds/classified
> s.cgi
>
> Enjoy!
>
> James
> VA3JPX
>
>

1356. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-06 22:24:10 UTC
From: cmiller@trellis.net
Message-ID: <00020806181921.OUI77.cmiller@trellis.net>
Source record: 3741

On September 06 2002, Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com> wrote:

> well i dont think your going to do it cheap
> what the inspector wants in the installtion engineered you will need
> to find a structural engineer so him the plans and he will stamp them
> as being up to code what you might try doing is calling the local EOC
> or the county and see if they have an engineer on staff who might do
> it probono since its for ares/racees and emergancy communications
> if not its going to cost you around $500
> i think if you go to rohns website you can get the details on the
> tower base and such but with out the stamp the inspector wont pass ya
> and since you already asked about it your screwed if you would have
> just put it up its easier to beg for forgiveness than it is to fight
> city hall good luck

I'd seek professional help for that punctuation problem you've got going
on.

1357. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-06 22:52:51 UTC
From: NS9G <ns9g@insightbb.com>
Message-ID: <7lae9.219700$aA.39567@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3742

"N9lda1" <n9lda1@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20020905222032.25179.00001514@mb-fw.aol.com...
> I am looking for some help on indtalling my rohn 50' tower.
>
> PROBLEM IS THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
>
> He wants a current engineer stamp on a print rohn is 1988 and they said it
has
> not change but he wants a current stamp.
>
> Without sending a lots of $$$$$$$$$$$
> I am just trying to get my ares/races sykwarn station back on the air

I wonder how many actually apply for a building permit and deal with a
building inspector when putting up a tower?? I never have.
--
73 de Bob NS9G

1358. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-08 13:22:32 UTC
From: n9lda1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020908092232.03226.00001850@mb-mp.aol.com>
Source record: 3743

Thanks all but so far it's all still laying on the ground.

I think what it is he wants to cover his butt

What is the differnce 1988 or 2002?

bob

1359. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-08 20:24:55 UTC
From: Paul N3EOP <n3eop@arrl.or.callsign.net>
Message-ID: <Xns92838878263FBn3eophotmailcom@64.164.98.7>
Source record: 3744

n9lda1@aol.com (N9lda1) wrote:

> I am looking for some help on indtalling my rohn 50' tower.
>
> PROBLEM IS THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
>
> He wants a current engineer stamp on a print rohn is 1988 and they
> said it has not change but he wants a current stamp.

Rohn should be able to provide you with a copy with a current stamp.
It'll cost you a few dollars, but should be considerably cheaper than
having a local engineer do it.

1360. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-08 21:11:11 UTC
From: lousherry <lousherry@lanset.com>
Message-ID: <3D7BBCEF.2030802@lanset.com>
Source record: 3745

You might want to look at radio shack HTX10 for 10 meters. It was my
first radio and still my favorite on 10 meters . RS has come out with a
improved and up dated HTX 100 for 10 meters. I have both RS models and
enjoy their simplicity. More time talking and less time trying to
figure out how the radio works.
Lou
KB6FFT

Steve Silverwood wrote:

> In article <3D50BCD5.5050900@slonet.org>, pbonucci@slonet.org says...
>
>>My son (9 years old) and I are working on getting our technician with
>>code licenses and I would like to set up a HF station.
>>
>>Because I don't know how long he will stay interested, I would like to
>>keep this to less than US$250. Power levels down to 5 W and kits would
>>be acceptable, if it keeps the price down.
>>
>>I think that he would be thrilled to make international contacts and I
>>would accept a single-band installation, if he could get a taste of DX.
>>
>>So, what all do I need to give my son a taste of what HF is like without
>>spending a lot of money?
>>
>
> An excellent first rig is the Kenwood TS-520. I still have one as a
> backup. Full power rating is 100 watts, but you can always step that
> down. Supports CW and SSB operation on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters.
> All solid state except the final amplifier stage, which uses a tube.
>
> You can usually find these for around $250 in good condition. Check
> eBay and the rec.radio.swap newsgroup.
>
>

1361. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-08 21:28:13 UTC
From: cmiller@trellis.net
Message-ID: <00020808172044.OUI17.cmiller@trellis.net>
Source record: 3746

On September 08 2002, n9lda1@aol.com (N9lda1) wrote:

> What is the differnce 1988 or 2002?

Local building codes change. I used to wire houses, so I'm quite
familiar with changing building codes.

--
Carl Miller
cmiller@trellis.net
Help Stop Spam -- http://www.spamcon.org

1362. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 00:16:24 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3D7BE844.43DEF68E@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3747

i think you guys are miss reading this or i am
the building inspector wants a engeneered plan before he will approve the
install this plan has to detail how this tower will be installed on this
site and you cant get that from Rohn
a state engineer in his state will have to draw that up and place his
stamp on the plans before the inspector will pass it thru
would have been a lot easier to have not asking the inspector in the
first place and just put it up according to rohns directions and be done
with it and no one would have said a thing but now since he brought it
up to the inspector he is screwed into having to get the engineers
stamped plans

Paul N3EOP wrote:

> n9lda1@aol.com (N9lda1) wrote:
>
> > I am looking for some help on indtalling my rohn 50' tower.
> >
> > PROBLEM IS THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
> >
> > He wants a current engineer stamp on a print rohn is 1988 and they
> > said it has not change but he wants a current stamp.
>
> Rohn should be able to provide you with a copy with a current stamp.
> It'll cost you a few dollars, but should be considerably cheaper than
> having a local engineer do it.

1363. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 01:26:15 UTC
From: n9lda1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020908212615.25100.00002315@mb-fw.aol.com>
Source record: 3748

Paul What happen was i moved to a new home and the city makes you get a permit to install a tower for ham radio.

I went to them and asked for a permit but the person said i don't know much about.

He than ask be to get a drawing of what i wanted to do.

I did and gave him a pier drawing 4' deep with 6" of gravel base for drainage and cement 4' deep 24" wide.
But he looked at the print and than said i need to get a strcture engieer to look it over and put then stamp on it.

This is nonecents there mixed up with all the celluar towers.
I might go the there engineers of the mayor's office next

All for a 40' tower to get back onnthe air for ares/races and skywarn.

maybe i migh have to get a corp grant for $500.00

bob

1364. Re: eQSL's...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 01:57:11 UTC
From: Steve Silverwood <kb6ojs@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <MPG.17e59b4297433c6898969a@news-server.socal.rr.com>
Source record: 3650

In article <20020902161417.03215.00000692@mb-mp.aol.com>,
vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux says...
> >What probably happened was that someone just uploaded their logbook in
> >ADIF format to the eQSL server. I do that on a routine basis. The
> >system then cross-checks with other eQSL users and when a match comes up
> >it automatically "sends" an eQSL.
>
> I wasn't even an eQSL user though...

Doesn't matter. The record was in the database from the log uploaded by the other operator, which of course included your callsign. Once you joined eQSL with your callsign included in your membership record, the system automatically did a search through the existing database for any records of that callsign. In that search, it picked up on the record in the database from the other person's upload and automatically generated the QSL.

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-- //Steve//

Steve Silverwood, KB6OJS
Fountain Valley, CA
Email: kb6ojs@arrl.net
Web: http://home.socal.rr.com/silverwood

1365. Re: New Hams seek equipment advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 01:57:11 UTC
From: Steve Silverwood <kb6ojs@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <MPG.17e59acfdcb6aab989699@news-server.socal.rr.com>
Source record: 3749

In article <3D7BBCEF.2030802@lanset.com>, lousherry@lanset.com says...
> You might want to look at radio shack HTX10 for 10 meters. It was my
> first radio and still my favorite on 10 meters . RS has come out with a
> improved and up dated HTX 100 for 10 meters. I have both RS models and
> enjoy their simplicity. More time talking and less time trying to
> figure out how the radio works.
> Lou
> KB6FFT

I've had an HTX-100 myself and it was a fine rig. Several years ago, a friend of mine from work and I used to yak on 10m on the way to work. We also chatted with other operators on the band, even had a roundtable with a gent in Russia on the way in to the office. Definitely put me in a pleasant frame of mind for the rest of the morning! ;-)

The problem, though, is that the current sunspot cycle is on the downward side, and as it drops the 10m band will start to fade out in terms of good propagation. If you're going to only get a single-band HF radio, that's probably a good choice, BUT a better choice would be a rig that offers full HF coverage on all of the bands, not just 10m.

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-- //Steve//

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1366. HUmmmmmmmmm

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 04:48:01 UTC
From: Landshark
Message-ID: <5KVe9.232$Zs.17944689@newssvr21.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3651
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb

"JJ" <radiobuff0@mailcity.net> wrote in message
news:3D738B38.2F269DC6@mailcity.net...
>
>
> Clockwork Orange wrote:
> >
> > --
> > Try me I'll Make you Famous
> > "Arnie Macy" <kt4st@csam.net> wrote in message
> > news:P9Cc9.24539$FJ1.4731412@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com...
> > > "xganon" wrote ...
> > >
> > > "now that ol' dick-head kicked the bucket, we can cross-post to our
hearts
> > > content. we can post illegal mods and other fun things. we knew
dickey
> > > got in a heart problem when he would get his blood pressure up over
all
> > the
> > > cross-posts. he would still be alive today, if he would have minded
his
> > own
> > > business....."
> > >
> > > Wow, That certainly took a lot of class to write.
> > >
> > > Arnie -
> >
> > Yes low class
>
> What else to you expect out of a clueless illegal operating cber
> that is so chicken he has to post via an anonymizer.
>

Now JJ, something's you post are pretty good, but
this constant bashing of Cb'rs make you sound like Dave.
He's always calling people communist, you keep calling
anyone that posts drivel from anon accounts as "illegal operating cber". If
you haven't realized it yet, both sides are playing
the game, some for and some against, so it isn't to far fetched
that some are stirring the pot purposely.

Landshark

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If you are implying that people, who
hold ham licenses, should be somehow
held to a higher moral standard than
the "common man", then that would
be faulty logic. A ham license is only
a "permit" to use radio, it is not a
"badge of morality".

1367. Re: Landshark, grasping at straws in his addled state.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 15:14:20 UTC
From: Landshark
Message-ID: <gV2f9.3200$vd2.52053225@newssvr13.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3652
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,tw.bbs.rec.radio.amateur
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

"www.TimNebo.com" wrote in message
news:20020909095937.15771.00001928@mb-cv.aol.com...
> is life so bad you had to imagine a whole organization with you being the
> leader??? some people will do anything to make hemselfs feel
important.....
>
>

Dr. Jekel Mr. Hyde syndrome.

Now for Doug's post, I have him kill filled since he sent me
e-mail from a yahoo account.
>
> >
> >
> >You I won't call a drug addict, Landcarp. I will call you what we all
> >know you to be. A criminal.

Really? that's nice

>I told you buttheads a long time ago that
> >all ya had to do was come over. Not one of you have the >guts.

Of course some do, but you will sing a different tune.
Hell, look how you sucked up to Chuck.

>Hence
> >you are also labelled a sissy. Making threats and not carrying them
> >out when challenged is the mark of a sissy. Any arguements there,

Sure, where have I threatened you? Show me a post where
I said I was going to do any sort of violence towards you.

> >Markie Beckie?
> >
> >As far as complaints to my ISP go, you are REALLY showing how stupid
> >you are when you post that contact info, since uunet is a >backbone.

Oh really:

Received: from vm5-ext.prodigy.net by vm5 with SMTP; Sun, 1 Sep 2002
19:27:48 -0400
X-Originating-IP: [216.145.48.34]
Received: from mail-relay1.yahoo.com (mail-relay1.yahoo.com [216.145.48.34])
by vm5-ext.prodigy.net

(8.11.0.in.saslm.reject.disable.sbc2.sleep.maildfixand2sdomain/8.11.0) with
ESMTP id g81NRlm180184
for ; Sun, 1 Sep 2002 19:27:47 -0400
Received: from besotes.corp.yahoo.com (besotes.corp.yahoo.com
[216.145.48.76])
by mail-relay1.yahoo.com (Postfix) with SMTP id 16E438B5CD
for ; Sun, 1 Sep 2002 16:27:47 -0700 (PDT)
Date: Sun, 01 Sep 2002 16:27:46 -0700
To: Landshark
Subject: Re: Abuse of your system (KMM59876805V98023L0KM)
From: Yahoo!Mail
Reply-To: Yahoo!Mail

X-Mailer: Kana 6.0
Message-Id: <20020901232747.16E438B5CD@mail-relay1.yahoo.com>

Hello,

Thank you for writing to Yahoo! Mail.

In this particular case, we have taken appropriate action against the
Yahoo! account in question, as per our Terms of Service (TOS). For
further details about the Yahoo! TOS, you can visit:

http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/

Please know that Yahoo! is unable to disclose the action taken on
another user's account with a third party. We are not able to make
exceptions to this rule.

Thank you again for contacting Yahoo! Customer Care.

Regards,

Yahoo! Customer Care
http://www.yahoo.com/

30450180

Original Message Follows:

I have this person blocked on the newsgroups, now
he has resorted to e-mail. PLEASE have this person
stop this nonsense. I DO NOT desire this type of
e-mails and find it very offensive.

Received: from vm5-ext.prodigy.net by vm5 with SMTP; Sun, 1 Sep 2002
08:26:01 -0400
X-Originating-IP: [216.136.174.71]
Received: from web12904.mail.yahoo.com (web12904.mail.yahoo.com
[216.136.174.71])
by vm5-ext.prodigy.net
(8.11.0.in.saslm.reject.disable.sbc2.sleep.maildfixand2sdomain/8.11.0)
with SMTP id g81CPsm56478

for ; Sun, 1 Sep 2002 08:25:54 -0400
Message-ID: <20020901122553.78644.qmail@web12904.mail.yahoo.com>
Received: from [206.148.128.15] by web12904.mail.yahoo.com via HTTP;
Sun, 01 Sep 2002 05:25:53 PDT
Date: Sun, 1 Sep 2002 05:25:53 -0700 (PDT)
From: Crackhead Chapwoman
Subject: Chapwoman, caught on tape while in jail for crack posession!
To: rchapman8@houston.rr.com
Cc: s3buell@sbcglobal.net, twistedhed@webtv.net, timnebo@aol.com

boundary="0-1774509220-1030883153=:69749"

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boundary="0-1640888622-1030883153=:69749"

--0-1640888622-1030883153=:69749

Do You Yahoo!?
Yahoo! Finance - Get real-time stock quotes
--0-1640888622-1030883153=:69749

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Seems to work for me

> >
> >You are a traumatized, ineffective little dweeb, sharkieboy.
> >
> >As for Chuck...He isnt a full fledged AKC by a long shot. In any case,
> >that situation is none of your business.
> >
> >If you were in the midwest, and not a sissified coward >stretch>,
> >you could have met me too.

Doug, you are not worth it

>Not that I would especially care to meet
> >such an admitted bad citizen.
> >

Really, I would have loved to meet Richard Nixon.

> >Told you jerkoffs long time ago. I have ALL the hospitality you could
> >ever need, in any form necessary. You just can't comprehend that there
> >is nothing you can do to stop the Anti-boys. You think you are some
> >omnipotent being? In reality you are just a legend in your own mind.
> >

Been watching Dirty Harry movies to bolster your ego?

> >One last thing, Markie Beckie...If you had any proof of any kind about
> >any dirt of the magnitude you are accusing me of I would not be
> >posting this right now. All you do is grasp at straws in the useless
> >attempt to stop the AKC. It won't happen, and you are doomed to keep

> >making the attempts, much to the glee of the AKC.
> >
> >I hear week 2 of twithed's vacation journal tells all about you. I
> >can't wait to read it.
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>
> Tim Nebo
>
> http://www.TimNebo.com
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Whatever Doug, keep rambling.

Landshark

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Try sending your complaints to these concerning
Keyclownslamma (Doug Adair N8wwm) constant
flooding of the newsgroup:

help@uu.net

abuse-mail@wcom.com

netadmin@ao.wcom.net

groups-abuse@google.com

abuse@yahoo.com

Consumer Affairs
WorldCom
1200 South Hayes Street, 11th fl
Arlington, VA 22202
800-695-4405

1368. ARNewsline 1308 - Sept 6 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 16:30:22 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020909123022.06793.00003881@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 3653

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1308 – September 6th, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1307 with a release date of Friday, September 6th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. 222 to 225 MHz comes under attack once again, N Sync’s Bass may not fly to the I-S-S after all and an Ohio city regulates 11 meter C-B. Find out the details exclusively on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1308 coming your way right now.

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THE WAR TO SAVE OUR BANDS: A NEW ATTACK ON 222 - 225 MHZ

Some are calling it Deja Vous. This as big business once again sets its eyes on grabbing a ham band and converting it into a money making machine. And once again its the old 220 MHz band. David Black, KB4KCH, is here with the details:

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Once again, amateur radio frequencies may be under siege. Large corporations wanting to become even bigger want hams off the 222 to 225 MHz band, so they can make money. This time, the challenge comes from Data Commlink Incorporated and its twenty electrical cooperatives. Data Commlink filed comments in W T Docket 02-224.

That's an FCC proposal that began innocently enough. The proposal sought to gather comments on requests for waivers to provide band management services in the 220 to 222 MHz band. That's the piece of spectrum that used to belong to Amateur Radio but which hams say was stolen by greedy businesses over a decade ago.

But page 10 of DataComlink's filing holds comments that strike straight at amateur radio. The company says quote--the spectrum at 222 to 225 MHz that is currently held by the Amateur Radio Service is being underutilized. In the early days of 220 MHz commercial regulations, amateur Service licensees argued that their spectrum was necessary and important in order to provide communications in the event of disaster or emergency. Although we take no issue with this claim, we do not feel that the 222 to 225 MHz band has been utilized as well as Amateur Radio claimed it would by so-called no-code hams in their efforts to keep a foothold in the 220 MHz arena.

The filing then presents a direct challenge to ham radio. Without citing any evidence, Data Comlink asserts that in nearly all densely populated areas, the 222 to 225 MHz band is largely quiet. The company claims that only what it terms as handful of individuals in the Amateur Radio Service even use the

spectrum. Data Comlink then says hundreds of thousands of potential commercial users wait with no alternatives.

Data Comlink tells the FCC that--with considerable commercial interest already in the 222 to 225 MHz band because of waiver requests--it feels that the frequencies amateur radio holds would be much better utilized for commercial use. The company says existing users of the spectrum -- ham radio operators -- are so few in number that the economic impact on those affected would be minimal.

As for where the thousands of US hams who actually do use 220 to 225 would wind up, Data Comlink says nothing. Another issue is left unaddressed. If the FCC were to actually give the Data Comlink proposal any serious consideration, who would reimburse repeater owners the hundreds of thousands of dollars invested in their systems? DataComlink is silent on that one.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm David Black, KB4KCH.
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What credence will the FCC give the Data Comlink idea? That's hard to say. Since it comes in the context of comments on another matter the Commission could simply rule that anything dealing with 222 to 225 MHz is not germane to the issue. On the other hand, the FCC could use the Data Comlink commentary as the basis for a Notice of Inquiry aimed at reallocating the 222 to 225 MHz band to commercial use. Which way they will go will not be known for a few months at the latest. In the meantime ham radio had better keep a close eye on the situation so that nothing is covertly slipped by.

The complete Data Comlink filing is on the web at http://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/prod/ecfs/retrieve.cgi?native_or_pdf=pdf&id_document=6513289200 (From comments filed to FCC by Data Comlink)

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RADIO RULES: BAND SHARING REQUEST FOR 70 CM

The ARRL news reports that an amateur from Virginia has petitioned the FCC to allocate eight channels in the 70-cm band for use by visitors from Europe and the United Kingdom with Personal Mobile Radio transceivers. The recently authorized PMR 446 is similar to the US Family Radio Service. Dr. Michael Trahos, KB4PGC, a physician from Alexandria, filed the petition last January, saying it would help to promote international goodwill. The FCC has designated the petition as RM-10521. (ARRL)

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ENFORCEMENT: HAM CHARGED WITH MISDEMEANOR IN ILLINOIS TRAGEDY

An Inverness Illinois man who authorities say misused a police radio channel has been ordered to turn over all the radio gear that he owns to local authorities. Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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According to a report in the Chicago Tribune Cook County Judge Joseph Urso has

ordered that William Bily turn over all his transmitting equipment to Barrington-Inverness police. This, as a condition of his release on bond while awaiting trial on misdemeanor charges.

Bily appeared August 30th in the Rolling Meadows branch of Cook County Circuit Court in connection with misdemeanor charges of resisting a peace officer and interfering with emergency communications. A longtime amateur radio enthusiast, Bily is said to have disrupted police communications Sunday August 25th by transmitting over the Barrington-Inverness police radio channel. When Officer Steven Graham came to his home, Bily allegedly resisted arrest. Authorities say that a struggle ensued and that during their tussle Officer Graham who was only 53 suffered a fatal heart attack.

Asserting the heart attack resulted from the scuffle, the Cook County medical examiner's office ruled Graham's death to a homicide. But Assistant State's Attorney Steven Rosenblum said that his office does not intend to seek more serious charges against Bily.

Bily's attorney, Frank Cece, asked that his client only be forced to hand over radio gear that could be used to transmit on the police radio band. He maintained that Bily, a Marine veteran who saw combat during the Vietnam War, has much equipment that poses no risk to police radio frequencies.

But States Attorney Rosenblum countered that this is not the first occasion police had visited Bily's house. The first time was on July 4th of 2000, also for allegedly interrupting the police frequency.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reporting.
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As part of the bond agreement Judge Urso also ordered that Bily not possess any firearms and that he not contact the family of the deceased officer. A trial is set to take place on October 2nd in the Rolling Meadows courthouse.
(Adapted from information supplied by KC9RP, W9FS and others)

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ENFORCEMENT: “RABBIT EARS” THE HAM JAMMER GETS JAIL

A CB operator from Florida with an apparent hatred of hams will spend the next year in a federal prison. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bill Burnett, KT4SB, reports from Miami.

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He called himself Rabbit Ears on the C-B two-way. He also harassed ham radio communications on several bands. And now, Jupiter Florida Citizens Band operator William Flippo will spend a total of 15 months in federal prison. He will also pay a $25,000 fine for jamming Amateur Radio communications and transmitting without a license.

According to the ARRL Letter, Federal District Court Judge Daniel Hurley imposed the sentence August 29th. This, following a guilty verdict on June 19th on four counts of operating a radio transmitter without a license and another four counts of deliberate and malicious interference.

According to trial testimony, Flippo primarily had targeted members of the Jupiter-Tequesta Repeater Group for jamming and regularly interfered with amateur operations, especially on 10 and 2 meters, over an approximately three-year period. He has been in custody since the guilty verdict and underwent a psychiatric evaluation prior to sentencing.

At the sentencing, Flippo reportedly wept. He said that he had turned over a new leaf and claimed he was sole support for his wife and two daughters. But Judge Hurley was not impressed. He told the 60 year old Flippo that he was old enough to have considered the consequences of his actions. Hurley also alleged numerous incidents of perjury in the course of Flippo's testimony during his six-and-one-half day trial.

Judge Hurley also told Flippo that wants a full financial disclosure from him. And when he does get out of jail, Flippo will spend another year on supervised probation during which he cannot own radio gear or firearms. In other words, for the next two years the law will be watching this C-B'er like a hawk.

In Miami, I'm Bill Burnett, KT4SB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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Judge Hurley ordered Flippo to immediately start serving his sentence. The former C-B operator was reportedly led into and out of the courtroom in shackles and leg irons. (ARRL, others)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA6ELR repeater serving Hollywood California.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS, CB'ERS, GMRS AID AFTER TORNADO

Hams, C-B's, and just about anyone with a radio system not dependent on phone lines is pitching in to provide emergency communications in Ladysmith Wisconsin. This follows a devastating tornado on Monday, September 2nd that destroyed a major part of the town and completely knocked out the areas communications infrastructure. Twenty people were injured.

As we go to air, there is still no wireline telephone service and cellular service is spotty at best. The personal communications teams are reportedly augmenting local law enforcement and fire services in relief efforts. Wisconsin Governor Scott McCallum declared the Ladysmith a disaster area. (Published news reports, on-air reports)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RUSSIA TELLS BASS HES OUT OF ISS TRIP

A Russian space official said on Tuesday September 3rd that N Sync singer Lance Bass has been asked to leave Russia's cosmonaut training program and will not be the world's third space tourist. Sergei Gorbunov, a spokesman for the Russian Space Agency, said the decision to end negotiations with Bass was made in connection with what was termed as violations of his contract to fly on a supply mission to the orbiting outpost.

Bass began training in July at Star City, and just returned to Russia on Sunday after spending a week at NASA's Johnson Space Center in Houston with the other two crew members. There, Bass was trained in use of several station systems including the ARISS ham radio station. Now, Gorbunov said Bass, who had hoped to fly to the Space Station aboard a Russian Soyuz rocket on October 28th, would be leaving and would not be permitted to return.

Gorbunov said that in place of Bass, the Russians would likely send up a cargo container with extra equipment needed on the International Space Station. Gorbunov said the container has already been prepared and is ready to go.

But Bass’s representatives have a different story. They say that that its all a misunderstanding and that the 23 year old singer should be back in training shortly. If he does make it to orbit, Bass will become the youngest person to ever fly in space. (Published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: LANCASTER OHIO HAS NEW CB CONTROL LAW

Lancaster Ohio now has a new City Ordinance to put teeth into local enforcement of the FCC’s Part 95 CB radio rules. The measure was passed on August 26th and is the handi-work of Lancaster City Law Director David Trimmer and a local area radio amateur named John Hilliard, W8OF. The two put the legislation together over the last several months and sent it twice to the FCC office in Farmington Hills, Michigan for review and comments.

Under the law, CB radio users who operate on what’s termed as an unlawful frequency or using excessively powerful equipment could be cited for a misdemeanor, with a maximum penalty of 180 days in jail and a $1,000 fine. Ham radio operators are exempted because the city says that they are trained, licensed, are regulated differently under federal law.

City officials estimate there are at least 250 people operating 11 meter Class D CB radios in Lancaster and not all follow FCC rules. The city's law will give prosecutors a tool to fight these abuses. The FCC believes that Lancaster is the first municipality to enact such a far-reaching ordinance to regulate CB radio within the city limits. (ARNewsline™ from information supplied by W8OF)

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ENFORCEMENT: YUCAIPA CALIFORNIA TEST SESSION INVESTIGATION CONTINUES

The FCC audit of a W5YI-VEC Amateur Radio test session in California is continuing. The ARRL Letter reports that so far, the probe into a September 1, 2001, examination session in the city of Yucaipa has led to the suspension of seven volunteer examiners and the cancellation of five Amateur Radio licenses.

The W5YI-VEC's Larry Pollock, NB5X, said possible irregularities surfaced earlier this year in the form of an e-mail and a telephone call concerning two candidates at VE sessions in Yucaipa. Pollock said that one of the reports was that a license had been purchased in California. The other was that the individual in question could not copy code, and that if he had passed the exam, he had done so fraudulently.

After considerable investigation on his own, Pollock said he saw enough questionable data that he felt retesting was in order. That’s the remedy he proposed to FCC Special Counsel for Enforcement Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH. That was the action taken and also the action which lead to the five cancellations. The FCC’s Hollingsworth said the agency would continue to investigate other examinations administered by the VEs involved in the September 1, 2001, session in Yucaipa. (ARRL)

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ENFORCEMENT: MAN MADE QRM ON 20 METERS

The Maritime nets on 14.315 MHz are reporting problems with interference. VK2UW says that the interference appears to be man made and regularly appears as both noises and CW type transmissions. The Australian Communications Agency has been notified and is monitoring. (Q-News)

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HAMFESTS: TRW SWAP MEET FOR SEPTEMBER CANCELED

A reminder. If you are planning to travel to Los Angeles this September to attend the famed TRW Swap Meet, choose some other month. This is because the giant swap-feast has been canceled because a corporate event will be held at the Space Park Facility on Saturday, September 28th.

Only this month, September, is canceled. There will be a TRW Swap Meet the last Saturday of the month in October, November and December. For more information visit http://w6trw.com on the world wide web. (TRW ARC)

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CONVENTIONS & HAMFESTS: BOXBORO MASS GROWS

Attendance at this years Boxboro Massachusetts Hamfest seemed to be back to its normal level of about 3,000. This continues an upward spiral first noted a few weeks ago at the Huntsville Hamfest in Alabama.

According to observers, the exhibit hall was busy all day Saturday and there seemed to be an increased number of big-ticket sales. This again mirrors what happened at the shows in Huntsville and to a lesser degree in Escondido California that same weekend.

The biggest draw in the forums area was once again Bob Heil, K9EID, and his audio clinic road show. Bob had about 100 people in the room, many of whom left the session and immediately hit the dealers to buy the appropriate peripheral gear.

Boxboro is one a dwindling number of hamfests and conventions that still has an annual banquet. This years speaker was ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. Also on the program was live music from a four piece band.

How good was this years Boxboro Hamfest? Vertex-Standard's Chip Margelli, K7JA sums it up this way. He says that he couldn't leave the booth or take a break until 4:15 Saturday afternoon. And that kind of says it all. (K7JA, others)

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WITH THE HANDI HAMS: AUDIO BULLETIN ON THE WWW

The weekly Handi Ham e-letter is now available as an audio file. Its in cyberspace on the Handi-Ham Audio page at www.handiham.org. Archived text issues are also available at the same URL. (HandiHams)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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INTERNATIONAL - SOUTH AFRICA: HAMS CONTINUE TO ASSIST AT WORLD SUMMINT

Ham radio is continuing its support effort at the U-N Sponsored World Summit on Sustainable Development. With the latest, to Johannesburg and Hans van der Gronnendal, ZS6AKV:

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AUDIO REPORT ONLY: You can hear it at http://www.arnewsline.org

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More on ham radio at this important world summit next week.

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INTERNATIONAL – SOUTH AFRICA : JOHNNY NEETHLING, ZS1GB – S.K.

Still from South Africa comes the sad news that Johnny Neethling, ZS1GB, passed away on Friday 19 July. Neethling as 80 and was licensed just after World War 2. ZS1GB was well known in Radio and TV circles. He was also involved in maintaining equipment in the first the first heart transplant operation to take place in South Africa. (RSGB)

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INTERNATIONAL - GIBRALTER: WILFRED GUERRERO, ZB2IB – S.K.

Q-News reports the unexpected death of well known Gibraltar radio amateur Wilfred Guerrero, ZB2IB. Guerrero was 55 years of age and for many years was the mainstay of amateur radio in Gibraltar. Most recently he pioneered,

virtually single-handedly, the introduction of the Foundation License in that nation. (Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL - AUSTRALIA: VK UHF CB TECH STANDARDS CHANGE

The technical standards for C-B gear used in Australia are changing. Q-News Graham Kemp, V-K-4-B-B, reports from down-under:

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APCNews says the VK UHF CB equipment standard is to change. The standard will require that CTCSS equipment include facilities to reduce interference to non CTCSS users. Required features include a 'channel busy' warning light and a 'listen before transmit' function. The changes were required by the Australian Communications Authority following changes that legalized CTCSS signaling on UHF CB channels. From Q-News Australia, I’m Graham Kemp, VK4BB.
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The change affects only the Australian U-H-F Citizens Radio Service. No other bands are affected. (APC News, Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL – SCANDINAVIA: NEW MAJOR HAMFEST IN EU

A major new European amateur radio event will take place in Gothenburg Sweden for the first time in April next year. The Scandinavian HamVention 2003 will be a big hamfest where Scandinavian and other European radio amateurs can get together. There will be a large exhibition with amateur radio dealers from all over Europe and it is planned to offer Scandinavia's biggest flea-market yet, allowing radio amateurs to trade, buy and sell everything to do with our hobby. A traditional Scandinavian amateur radio dinner will be held and there will also be a special ladies' program. The Swedish national amateur radio organization, the SSA, will hold its annual meeting at the same time. Further details are on the Scandinavian HamVention website http://www.scandiham.com/. (GB2RS)

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DX

In D-X, the Canadian licensing authority, Industry Canada, has authorized the use of special prefixes to celebrate the 125th anniversary of Japanese immigration to Canada. The special prefixes will be on the air from the 1st of September until the 31st of October.

And this for those listening across the Atlantic a lot higher in frequency. Word from the Radio Society of Great Britain that the G-B-3-N-W-K microwave beacons located in North West Kent are currently non-operational. The beacons, which usually transmit on 1296.81 and 2320.85MHz are off the air until further notice due to site problems.

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THAT FINAL ITEM: 911 REMEMBERED

And finally this week, we pause to remember the tragedy of Tuesday September 11th 2001. Here’s Amateur Radio Newsline producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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I’m going to tile this as an editorial. Ill also promise to keep it short.

We have all heard these words before. “September 11th, 2001 is a day that changed all of our lives forever.”

The pictures are still there in our minds eye. The giant Boeing jets crashing into the World Trade Center. The buildings crumbling to the ground. The fire at the Pentagon. The scorched earth in Pennsylvania.

And the other scenes. The ones only known to ham radio. Those of the radio amateurs from New York, Washington and Pennsylvania who sprang immediately into action. The hams from across America who dropped everything, grabbed their H-T and traveled sometimes thousands of miles -- paying their own way -- to become the second, third and forth wave of relief operators and volunteers.

No, ham radio was not on the front page of newspapers. Hams were not the lead story on the evening news. The tragedy of 911 was the story. The job of ham radio was to be the carrier of the message so that aid and comfort could be brought to the victims of this horrific and cowardly act of terrorism.

What 911 showed is that our loose knit fraternity can come together when the need arises. That we maybe called radio amateurs, but that we are communications professionals. That ham radio is there when it is needed.

On 911, ham radio did the job its people have trained themselves to do. The hobby has since moved on. So has our nation. But neither will ever be the same.

I’m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF
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We pray that a tragedy like 911 never happens again.

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA in New Orleans remembering the events of 911 and saying God bless America, 73 and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1369. ft-8100

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-09 17:55:57 UTC
From: Denis O' Flynn <denisf@eircom.net>
Message-ID: <K86f9.14634$zX3.34692@news.indigo.ie>
Source record: 3654

Hi all,
Have my 8100R for abt 2 years. Beenm back to the UK already once and would you beleive it - they lost it!! Unfortunatly for me they found it when I put the pressure on.
Anyway up to the present - The rig transmits for abt 1 minute then loses power, even though the fan stays on and red led stays lighting.This happen all the time. no problem with RX.
Any thoughts ???

Denis
EI6HB
ei6hb@eircom.net

1370. FS OR TRADE ALINCO DX70

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 01:02:58 UTC
From: vtfoxfire@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020909210258.00915.00003765@mb-ch.aol.com>
Source record: 3655

For Sale Alinco DX-70T for sale it is prefect in working
and physical condition, looks and works like new. It comes with
Original Box, Original Manual, Hand-Mic, Power Cord and a Mobil
Mounting Bracket. the price is 400.00 shipped conus

trade for late model dualband mobile ????? what ya got ???
please email to vtfoxfire@aol.com w1cgt 73's Foster

1371. HELP: Pursing Prosecution Of Illegal & Unlawful Operators!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 03:08:38 UTC
From: crt4239@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020909230838.19108.00002378@mb-fz.aol.com>
Source record: 3656

Could someone suggest a weblink on how to pursue Federal prosecution of illegal and unlawful operators? I'm in the Philadelphia are and have heard (on 2 meter frequecies) explicit sexual discussions on how to have sex with children, music broadcasts, singing, extremely crude language, and even CB radio (channel 19's audio) being transmitted on the 2 meter frequencies. All those I heard (about 10 individuals) appear to know each other and some are actually giving their licenses identifications. If I'm just wasting my time in seeking to bring these individuals to justice and clean up my local 2 meter frequencies, please be honest and let me know and I'll just sell my new 2 meter radio.

1372. Re: Landshark, grasping at straws in his addled state.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 05:01:01 UTC
From: "Arthur R. Howard" <whtmtnman@citlink.net>
Message-ID: <3D7D7C8D.22D918BE@citlink.net>
Source record: 3657
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,tw.bbs.rec.radio.amateur
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

Nice job

Landshark wrote:

> "www.TimNebo.com" wrote in message
> news:20020909095937.15771.00001928@mb-cv.aol.com...
> > is life so bad you had to imagine a whole organization with you being the
> > leader??? some people will do anything to make hemselfs feel
> important.....
> >
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>
> Dr. Jekel Mr. Hyde syndrome.
>
> Now for Doug's post, I have him kill filled since he sent me
> e-mail from a yahoo account.
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> > >
> > >
> > >You I won't call a drug addict, Landcarp. I will call you what we all
> > >know you to be. A criminal.
>
> Really? that's nice
>
> >I told you buttheads a long time ago that
> > >all ya had to do was come over. Not one of you have the >guts.
>
> Of course some do, but you will sing a different tune.
> Hell, look how you sucked up to Chuck.
>
> >Hence
> > >you are also labelled a sissy. Making threats and not carrying them
> > >out when challenged is the mark of a sissy. Any arguements there,
>
> Sure, where have I threatened you? Show me a post where
> I said I was going to do any sort of violence towards you.
>
> > >Markie Beckie?
> > >
> > >As far as complaints to my ISP go, you are REALLY showing how stupid
> > >you are when you post that contact info, since uunet is a >backbone.
>
> Oh really:

>
> Received: from vm5-ext.prodigy.net by vm5 with SMTP; Sun, 1 Sep 2002
> 19:27:48 -0400
> X-Originating-IP: [216.145.48.34]
> Received: from mail-relay1.yahoo.com (mail-relay1.yahoo.com [216.145.48.34])
> by vm5-ext.prodigy.net
> (8.11.0.in.saslm.reject.disable.sbc2.sleep.maildfixand2sdomain/8.11.0) with
> ESMTP id g81NRlm180184
> for ; Sun, 1 Sep 2002 19:27:47 -0400
> Received: from besotes.corp.yahoo.com (besotes.corp.yahoo.com
> [216.145.48.76])
> by mail-relay1.yahoo.com (Postfix) with SMTP id 16E438B5CD
> for ; Sun, 1 Sep 2002 16:27:47 -0700 (PDT)
> Date: Sun, 01 Sep 2002 16:27:46 -0700
> To: Landshark
> Subject: Re: Abuse of your system (KMM59876805V98023L0KM)
> From: Yahoo!Mail
> Reply-To: Yahoo!Mail
> MIME-Version: 1.0
> Content-Type: text/plain; charset = "us-ascii"
> Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
> X-Mailer: Kana 6.0
> Message-Id: <20020901232747.16E438B5CD@mail-relay1.yahoo.com>
>
> Hello,
>
> Thank you for writing to Yahoo! Mail.
>
> In this particular case, we have taken appropriate action against the
> Yahoo! account in question, as per our Terms of Service (TOS). For
> further details about the Yahoo! TOS, you can visit:
>
> http://docs.yahoo.com/info/terms/
>
> Please know that Yahoo! is unable to disclose the action taken on
> another user's account with a third party. We are not able to make
> exceptions to this rule.
>
> Thank you again for contacting Yahoo! Customer Care.
>
> Regards,
>
> Yahoo! Customer Care
> http://www.yahoo.com/
>
> 30450180
>
> Original Message Follows:
> ------------------------
>

> I have this person blocked on the newsgroups, now
> he has resorted to e-mail. PLEASE have this person
> stop this nonsense. I DO NOT desire this type of
> e-mails and find it very offensive.
>
> Received: from vm5-ext.prodigy.net by vm5 with SMTP; Sun, 1 Sep 2002
> 08:26:01 -0400
> X-Originating-IP: [216.136.174.71]
> Received: from web12904.mail.yahoo.com (web12904.mail.yahoo.com
> [216.136.174.71])
> by vm5-ext.prodigy.net
> (8.11.0.in.saslm.reject.disable.sbc2.sleep.maildfixand2sdomain/8.11.0)
> with SMTP id g81CPsm56478
> for ; Sun, 1 Sep 2002 08:25:54 -0400
> Message-ID: <20020901122553.78644.qmail@web12904.mail.yahoo.com>
> Received: from [206.148.128.15] by web12904.mail.yahoo.com via HTTP;
> Sun, 01 Sep 2002 05:25:53 PDT
> Date: Sun, 1 Sep 2002 05:25:53 -0700 (PDT)
> From: Crackhead Chapwoman
> Subject: Chapwoman, caught on tape while in jail for crack posession!
> To: rchapman8@houston.rr.com
> Cc: s3buell@sbcglobal.net, twistedhed@webtv.net, timnebo@aol.com
> MIME-Version: 1.0
> Content-Type: multipart/mixed;
> boundary="0-1774509220-1030883153=:69749"
>
> --0-1774509220-1030883153=:69749
> Content-Type: multipart/alternative;
> boundary="0-1640888622-1030883153=:69749"
>
> --0-1640888622-1030883153=:69749
> Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
>
> ---------------------------------
> Do You Yahoo!?
> Yahoo! Finance - Get real-time stock quotes
> --0-1640888622-1030883153=:69749
> Content-Type: text/html; charset=us-ascii
>
> ..
>
> Seems to work for me
>
> > >
> > >You are a traumatized, ineffective little dweeb, sharkieboy.
> > >
> > >As for Chuck...He isnt a full fledged AKC by a long shot. In any case,
> > >that situation is none of your business.
> > >
> > >If you were in the midwest, and not a sissified coward > >stretch>,

> > >you could have met me too.
>
> Doug, you are not worth it
>
> >Not that I would especially care to meet
> > >such an admitted bad citizen.
> > >
>
> Really, I would have loved to meet Richard Nixon.
>
> > >Told you jerkoffs long time ago. I have ALL the hospitality you could
> > >ever need, in any form necessary. You just can't comprehend that there
> > >is nothing you can do to stop the Anti-boys. You think you are some
> > >omnipotent being? In reality you are just a legend in your own mind.
> > >
>
> Been watching Dirty Harry movies to bolster your ego?
>
> > >One last thing, Markie Beckie...If you had any proof of any kind about
> > >any dirt of the magnitude you are accusing me of I would not be
> > >posting this right now. All you do is grasp at straws in the useless
> > >attempt to stop the AKC. It won't happen, and you are doomed to keep
> > >making the attempts, much to the glee of the AKC.
> > >
> > >I hear week 2 of twithed's vacation journal tells all about you. I
> > >can't wait to read it.
> > >
> >
> >
> >
> > Tim Nebo
> >
> > http://www.TimNebo.com
> >
> >
>
> Whatever Doug, keep rambling.
>
> Landshark
>
> --
> Try sending your complaints to these concerning
> Keyclownslamma (Doug Adair N8wwm) constant
> flooding of the newsgroup:
>
> help@uu.net
>
> abuse-mail@wcom.com
>
> netadmin@ao.wcom.net

>
> groups-abuse@google.com
>
> abuse@yahoo.com
>
> Consumer Affairs
> WorldCom
> 1200 South Hayes Street, 11th fl
> Arlington, VA 22202
> 800-695-4405

1373. Re: HELP: Pursing Prosecution Of Illegal & Unlawful Operators!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 05:23:40 UTC
From: manitoumagic@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20020910012340.27380.00001590@mb-bk.aol.com>
Source record: 3658

>Could someone suggest a weblink on how to pursue Federal prosecution of
>illegal
>and unlawful operators?

Write to the email address below... include all information you can.
fccham@fcc.gov

1374. Re: HELP: Pursing Prosecution Of Illegal & Unlawful Operators!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 13:12:45 UTC
From: Gerry <noway@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <hdmf9.4853$yd6.1325@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3659

"Capn Crunch" <manitoumagic@aol.comnospam> wrote in message
news:20020910012340.27380.00001590@mb-bk.aol.com...
> >Could someone suggest a weblink on how to pursue Federal prosecution of
> >illegal
> >and unlawful operators?
>
> Write to the email address below... include all information you can.
> fccham@fcc.gov

I believe the FCC likes you to say you have recordings of the infringing
activities.

1375. Re: HELP: Pursing Prosecution Of Illegal & Unlawful Operators!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 13:32:04 UTC
From: derswede@aol.comspam.com
Message-ID: <20020910093204.03011.00003524@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 3660

>Could someone suggest a weblink on how to pursue Federal prosecution of
>illegal
>and unlawful operators?

Call the FCC regional office in Philadelphia and ask to speak with an agent,
give them the freq. and time; recordings do help.

From the FCC.gov website:

The Northeast Region consists of six District Offices located in Boston, MA;
Chicago, IL; Columbia, MD; Detroit, MI; New York, NY; and Philadelphia, PA; and
two Resident Agent Offices located in Buffalo, NY and Saint Paul, MN

Phone given is (888) 225-5322, but that may just be the main general line.
Check the local phone directory.

Let us know if they respond to resolve this!

A

1376. NEW HAM RADIO ORTAL ONLINE!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 17:37:17 UTC
From: AV <avaupel@web.de>
Message-ID: <h5qf9.43350$kJ2.610243@news.easynews.com>
Source record: 3661
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

There is a new Ham Radio Portal online at

http://www.hamradio-portal.com

This Portal contains news, Information and

special topics like Echolink software and many more.

It has a Weblink and download database.

A new Webboard to discuss topics is also there.

You can also submit news and topics what

comes available on the top of the page!

It should not to be in compete with other Portals.

Just a new one with a new look and nice features.

We hope to see you there!

Andre

1377. Re: Form 610

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-10 22:29:24 UTC
From: puterman01@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <2ff697b6.0209101429.6dc1e8d9@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3662

Proud to be 13wpm Generals? I just got General last month and I'm a
30wpm General, although I only had to take the 5wpm test.

The good news is that you can now take the Extra class exam and not
have to worry that you have only passed 13wpm.

David

"BC" <fred@flintstone.net> wrote in message
news:<8zP79.46529$EJ4.1411125@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>...
> Greg,
>
> Thanks for the reply, and thanks for the extra info. I'll dig into it so I
> can
> be sure to be current. With today's extra need to be aware and prepared,
> my wife and I thought it a good idea to update everything.
>
> I was aware of the license restructuring. We are both proud to be 13wpm
> Generals. We wish we had gotten the Advanced licence prior to it's
> elimination, but didn't have the time.
>
> Thanks again, 73
> BillC kb2wmg
>

1378. Re: Callsign engraved on badge ?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-11 02:47:10 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020910224710.12780.00003004@mb-mf.aol.com>
Source record: 3664

>Some weeks ago I found on Internet, may be trough the QRZ links but I
>can nomore find it, a provider of badges.

Call signs on cars, then badges. What next - a Callsign tatoo?

1379. Parts Lot 3 Amp/Radio Parts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-11 03:49:36 UTC
From: ni4l@msn.com
Message-ID: <d4a0748e.0209101949.702cadbc@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3663
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

Hello All
I have listed this lot of parts for auction.... here is the link.
http://page.auctions.shopping.yahoo.com/auction/69316027?aucview=0x10
thanks for looking.

1380. Re: Driver distractions...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-13 00:16:23 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <r7ag9.1883$Xj4.1943949@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 3665

"VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message
news:20020826104049.02268.00003379@mb-cj.aol.com...
> Check out this article on CNN's website:

Ahhh...Check what out on CNN?

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Roger Halstead (K8RI EN73)
www.rogerhalstead.com
N833R World's oldest Debonair? (S/N CD-2)
>
> =-
> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1381. Re: Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-13 00:27:06 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <uhag9.1885$Xj4.1944724@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 3666

"VHFRadioBuff" <vhfradiobuff@aol.comspamsux> wrote in message
news:20020826104136.02268.00003380@mb-cj.aol.com...
> Ok, my last post got messed up... check out this article on CNN's website:
>
>
http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/ptech/08/23/digital.distractions.ap/index.html
>
> How long until ham radio is looked at carefully with all OUR high tech
stuff?

It was long ago.
Most of the things they mention are illegal in Michigan. Due to the public service provided by the Amateur Service (which has a very good reputation in the state) we receive exceptions to much. However, no TV screens are allowed in the front seat. Navigation devices are in a grey area. They had to change the law to allow for the new electronic dashboard displays. No scanners unlee you are a ham, or have a license for it.

I don't think they'll say anything about packet either, unless you are wobbling all over the road. However anyone who is operation packet while driving is running about half a battery short of a full pack. Even in Emergency Services we pull over.

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N833R World's oldest Debonair? (S# CD-2)

> =-
> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1382. Re: Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-13 00:27:07 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <vhag9.1886$Xj4.1944708@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 3667

"Ralph Mowery" <rmowery@cetlink.net> wrote in message
news:akg7qsdte1@newsreader.cetlink.net...
> The companies have to try and cover all the bases when it comes to anyting
> that can cause an accident. Do you remember the woman that dropped coffey
> on her lap in the car and got burned because it was hot ?
>
> I have to sit in several half day classes every year at work on safety
just
> because of things like this.
>
> I was in one meeting being held by a company that makes big motor starter
> equipment. One of the selling points was that if a breaker cubical went
bad
> it could be swapped out with out taking the power off all the others.
Then
> in the book there is a great big warning about not doing that. It is
> normally safe enough but when dealing with 480 volts at 1000 amps they
have
> to cover the bases. They tell you how to do it but if you do they are not
> responsiable for what hapens.

That is quite understandable. Imagine if there is a short when you plug the
new one in. <:-))

Our department blew up a substation by leaving the grounds on.
>
>

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>
> >
> > I was once browsing through the user's manual for a Motorola mobile
radio
> once
> > and on the first page was a warning: "Do not operate this equipment
while
> > vehicle is in motion." Kinda silly if you ask me. Ham radio really can
be
> a
> > distraction, especially if using anything more than a 2m/70cm radio with
> the
> > local repeaters programmed in. Once you start doing SSB and have to tune

> in
> > stations, or if you're trying to find repeaters that you don't really
know
> > about, it can really get fun. :)
> > =-
> > 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> > Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> > http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
>

1383. Re: Driver distraction...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-13 00:28:41 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <Ziag9.1887$Xj4.1944843@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 3668

"Dennis Kaylor" <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com> wrote in message
news:3D6B8F78.719E33C@tampabay.rr.com...
> andy
> the police have to be real careful in throwing stones like that have you
seen the
> inside of a modern police car they have several radios a computer and
video
> camera and god knows what else
> so they cant say to much about us running a couple of radios in our cars

How so?
It doesn't matter what they are running in the course of business. They all
cary guns too.
What they cary has no effect on what you or I can cary, or use.

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Roger Halstead (K8RI EN73)
www.rogerhalstead.com
N833R World's oldest Debonair? (S# CD-2)

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> VHFRadioBuff wrote:
>
> > Ok, my last post got messed up... check out this article on CNN's
website:
> >
> >
http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/ptech/08/23/digital.distractions.ap/index.html
> >
> > How long until ham radio is looked at carefully with all OUR high tech
stuff?
> > =-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-=-
> > 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> > Beachwood, NJ USA! Grid FM29vw
> > http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
>

1384. Re: help on putting up a tower!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-13 00:53:51 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <zGag9.1890$Xj4.1947255@newshog.newsread.com>
Source record: 3669

"NS9G" <ns9g@insightbb.com> wrote in message
news:7lae9.219700$aA.39567@sccrnsc02...
>
> "N9lda1" <n9lda1@aol.com> wrote in message
> news:20020905222032.25179.00001514@mb-fw.aol.com...
> > I am looking for some help on indtalling my rohn 50' tower.
> >
> > PROBLEM IS THE BUILDING INSPECTOR
> >
> > He wants a current engineer stamp on a print rohn is 1988 and they said
it
> has
> > not change but he wants a current stamp.
> >
> > Without sending a lots of $$$$$$$$$$$
> > I am just trying to get my ares/races sykwarn station back on the air
>
> I wonder how many actually apply for a building permit and deal with a
> building inspector when putting up a tower?? I never have.

I did!

Here anything over 80 feet needs to be engineered. I was going 100 with a
mast out the top to 127. Considering I put the entire thing up by hand,
that would have been too many hours to lose.
I showed the engineer the ROHN catelog figures, what I planned, he said
"Looks good to me" and gave me a permit. He stopped by once to look at he
guy anchors and tower base...Never came back.

http://www.rogerhalstead.com/tower.htm

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Roger Halstead (K8RI EN73)
www.rogerhalstead.com
N833R World's oldest Debonair? (S# CD-2)

> --
> 73 de Bob NS9G
>
>

1385. Re: HELP: Pursing Prosecution Of Illegal & Unlawful Operators!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-13 01:15:10 UTC
From: richcranus@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <c5ecbb69.0209121715.4cde9208@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3670

crt4239@aol.com (Crt4239) wrote in message
news:<20020909230838.19108.00002378@mb-fz.aol.com>...
> Could someone suggest a weblink on how to pursue Federal prosecution of illegal
> and unlawful operators? I'm in the Philadelphia are and have heard (on 2 meter
> frequecies) explicit sexual discussions on how to have sex with children, music
> broadcasts, singing, extremely crude language, and even CB radio (channel 19's
> audio) being transmitted on the 2 meter frequencies. All those I heard (about
> 10 individuals) appear to know each other and some are actually giving their
> licenses identifications. If I'm just wasting my time in seeking to bring
> these individuals to justice and clean up my local 2 meter frequencies, please
> be honest and let me know and I'll just sell my new 2 meter radio.

Ever hear of tuning to a different frequency? You are not required to
listen to them, you know.

1386. Yaesu YM-38 schematic

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-14 11:06:48 UTC
From: Anders <aao15@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <cLEg9.28438$t4.24335@nntpserver.swip.net>
Source record: 3671
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Hi!

I'm looking for Yaesu YM-38 microphone schematics...Anyone have it?
Please e-mail me: anders.olandersson@swipnet.se

73's

1387. MFJ-1278 pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-14 11:11:59 UTC
From: Anders <aao15@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <5QEg9.28439$t4.24272@nntpserver.swip.net>
Source record: 3672
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Hi!

Anyone have the MFJ-1278 pinout?
Please e-mail me: anders.olandersson@swipnet.se

73's

1388. Re: MFJ-1278 pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-14 11:27:55 UTC
From: charlesb <n5pvl@sbcglobal.net>
Message-ID: <%2Fg9.11686$Jm1.2720295058@newssvr30.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3673
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

"Anders" <aao15@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:5QEg9.28439$t4.24272@nntpserver.swip.net...
> Hi!
>
> Anyone have the MFJ-1278 pinout?
>
>I'm looking for Yaesu YM-38 microphone schematics...Anyone have it?
>Please e-mail me: anders.olandersson@swipnet.se

The place to look is http://www.packetradio.com

Lots of good hookup info there!

Charles, N5PVL

1389. Re: MFJ-1278 pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-14 13:55:49 UTC
From: Sam Ess <jacksno7@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <uo6fuvssjmb25e@corp.supernews.com>
Source record: 3674
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

from an OLD MFJ 1278B manual (1993), The MFJ-1278 J2 pinouts are
1=microphone audio
2=Receiver audio
3=PTT
4=Ground
Is that what you need?

forrest
--
Forrest Shelton Clark
A CircuitRider on the Internet
Baraboo, WI 53913

"Anders" <aao15@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:5QEg9.28439$t4.24272@nntpserver.swip.net...
> Hi!
>
> Anyone have the MFJ-1278 pinout?
> Please e-mail me: anders.olandersson@swipnet.se
>
> 73's
>
>

1390. FYI: All About Amateur Radio

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-14 15:50:21 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <1VIg9.15136$S32.1104748@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3675

700 AMATEUR RADIO TOPICS, OVER 6,000 LINKS, 125 PAGES
http://ac6v.com/

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com

1391. Re: Markie Beckie,made Doug Adair N8WWM get a new Yahoo account

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-14 18:06:40 UTC
From: Landshark
Message-ID: <QUKg9.320$qS7.31874402@newssvr14.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3676
Cross-posted to: es.rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner,uk.rec.radio.cb

"Keyclown Busters" <bookooaddys@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:1b4daaa5.0209140658.4bbe271f@posting.google.com...
> FYI, limpwristed Markie Beckie:
>
> That is some kind of an accomplishment. The AKC has over 100 yahoo
> accounts ready to launch on command. Plink at em all you want,
> limpwristed one. WHOAAAA!!! I am SCARED!!! Markie Beckie femininely
> cried to Google!!!
>
>
> You do that because of several reasons.
>
> 1. You can't stand to have your federal criminality thrown in your
> face
>

Again, I ask for you to post the US Federal Statute that I
broke and the proof that I broke it.

> 2. You are a sissy boy of the sort that told on who talked in class.
>

On the contrary Doug Adair N8WWM, you are the one getting
yourself ratted out, not me.

> 3. Ratting to Google is the ONLY thing you CAN do. You are impotent
> otherwise.

Really?

>
> In parting, Markie Beckie, limpwrist boy, I leave you with the words
> of the immortal Jay Leno...who said "Crunch all ya want, we'll make
> more" during a Frito's commercial back in the 80's.

Enjoy Doug Adair N8WWM, you are just showing
how much of a troll you really are.

Landshark

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Try sending your complaints to these concerning
Keyclownbusters (bookooaddys@yahoo.com IE:
Doug Adair N8WWM):

help@uu.net

abuse-mail@wcom.com

netadmin@ao.wcom.net

groups-abuse@google.com

abuse@yahoo.com

Consumer Affairs
WorldCom
1200 South Hayes Street, 11th fl
Arlington, VA 22202
800-695-4405

1392. Re: Markie Beckie,made Doug N8WWM get a new Yahoo account

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-14 18:06:41 UTC
From: Landshark
Message-ID: <RUKg9.321$qS7.31874402@newssvr14.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3677
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner,uk.rec.radio.cb

"Keyclown Busters" <bookooaddys@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:1b4daaa5.0209140635.1dd6cbee@posting.google.com...
> twistedhed@webtv.net (Twistedhed) wrote in message
news:<25818-3D81E844-124@storefull-2318.public.lawson.webtv.net>...
> > >From: Moparholic@hotmailnospam.com
> > "Landshark" <S3Buell@SBCGlobal.Net.> wrote:
> > Now, this is coming from Doug Adair, N8WWM a ham
> > operator who was himself selling modified cb equipment.
>
>
> OH?? and WHAT illegal equipment has N8WWM sold? Name it.
>
> KEYCLOWN LOGIC: WHEN YOU DO NOT HAVE TRUTH TELL LIES
>
> Above all do ANYTHING POSSIBLE to obfuscate the fact that you ILLEGAL
> CB OPERATORS ARE FEDERAL CRIMINALS.

From: n8wwm@aol.com (N8wwm)
Newsgroups: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf
Subject: Re: Need Mod for FT 902D Yaesu
Lines: 6
NNTP-Posting-Host: ladder07.news.aol.com
X-Admin: news@aol.com
Date: 05 Nov 2000 05:33:20 GMT
References: <6f270t8cl2jh1k82j4bsm7r0frk6e6j7d6@4ax.com>
Organization: AOL http://www.aol.com
Message-ID: <20001105003320.28172.00000741@ng-cu1.aol.com>

SIMPLE MOD

You change all crystals in the 10 meter position to 1mhz LOWER

That gives 26 to 28 mhz operation and that is all you need to do 98% of the
time.

This is what this hypocrite promotes for himself but chastises
others for doing. BEGIN OF QUOTED MATERIAL:
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08/23/99

rec.radio.cb

O4AT trade proposal...

Hi Steve

I have a MINT Radio Shack TRC 457 base ssb unit. It was made in 78!

Has the Uniden 858 PLL chip. I also have the SECRET CB modification info for this radio, The radio itself has NEVER been opened up. It works and looks like new. Comes with a RS amplified base station mike ta boot!

I would take $50.00 cash and the 04AT for it, if the HT is in good shape. Obviously we would each pay our own shipping.

n8wwm@aol.com

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10/22/00

alt.ham-radio.mods

Re: ft 102 cb mod details required

Take all 4 10 meter crystals out...replace each one with one 1mhz lower retune output slightly thats it, then you have 26.0 to 28.0 radio

n8wwm@aol.com

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Lots more there Doug, so don't lie about how you don't do illegal activities.

Landshark

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Try sending your complaints to these concerning Keyclownbusters (bookooaddys@yahoo.com IE: Doug Adair N8WWM):

help@uu.net

abuse-mail@wcom.com

netadmin@ao.wcom.net

groups-abuse@google.com

abuse@yahoo.com

Consumer Affairs
WorldCom
1200 South Hayes Street, 11th fl
Arlington, VA 22202
800-695-4405

1393. Japan, help me for JCC !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-15 05:16:56 UTC
From: lombryt@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <db35a0c.0209142116.28d245b5@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3678

Hi,

I'm searching a japanese ham or a ham reading Katakana char. and that could access to the JA callbook in order to help me to associate some dozen JA callsigns (max 100) with their respective prefectures, cities and guns.
My objective is to complete the JCC and JCG awards.

Please send your proposal to my personal email.

Thanks

Thierry
ONL5183

1394. Website Update

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-15 06:03:27 UTC
From: Albert Aerts <no@spam.be>
Message-ID: <3d842297$0$189$ba620e4c@news.skynet.be>
Source record: 3679

"The Aerts Family" homepage has been updated.
Featuring amateur radio, collecting of antique radios and cameras, homemade food, pictures of Scotland.

http://www.aerts.nu

1395. FA Lots of Misc Goodies

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-15 16:14:17 UTC
From: ni4l@msn.com
Message-ID: <d4a0748e.0209150814.3e839816@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3680
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.cb

Allot of different parts for the builder. Turns counter, Verinier
Dial, National RF 175A plate choke, 3 blowers, several potentiometers,
several PJ-068B mic plugs for collins and drake, dow key relay,
several other relays for your amp or radio project. 2 coil forms, 8 HV
caps, ! filament transformer 5v@20 amps, a HV diode board, 2 pill
transistor amp with a 13.8 volt power supply built in to run a mobile
in the house unit runs off 110 volts. A nice collection of different
sized coils. A couple more small transformers. More items you will get
everything in the pic
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1380912859
thanks for taking time to Look

1396. FS Resistors and Neutralizing Capacitors

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-15 16:22:19 UTC
From: ni4l@msn.com
Message-ID: <d4a0748e.0209150822.4fa138f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3681
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors

FS CERAMIC/WIRE WOUND RESISTORS
I have a nice lot of 75 wire wound/ceramic resistors. They are
different values and wattages. All checked and marked. this is for the
whole lot.
They are all pretty good size,high wattages. Just what you need
for a good stout amp.
i have a pic.
30.00 + shipping or make me a offer.

FS 2 BIG Neutralizing Capacitors
Two neutralizing capacitors for controling the stability of that
big amplifier project your planning, These are VERY NICE AND BIG.

Capacitors stand 6" high and disk diameter is 2". Both caps are in
very good condition and I would rate at a 8+. There are no pits on the
aluminum or chips on the ceramic.
20.00 each +shipping

1397. WTB: "COMM 1 Software"

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-15 17:39:34 UTC
From: st-roch@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <78537861.0209150939.158e8b2e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3682
Cross-posted to: rec.aviation.piloting,rec.aviation.owning,rec.aviation,rec.radio.amateur

Want to Buy: "Comm 1" Aviation Radio Training Software.

1398. ARNewsline 1309 - Sept 13 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-16 22:00:07 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020916180007.02276.00004741@mb-mu.aol.com>
Source record: 3683

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1309 – September 13th, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1309 with a release date of Friday, September 13th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A world ham radio license inches closer while the N-T-I-A says no to 5 MHz for U-S hams. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1309 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RADIO REGULATIONS: WORLD HAM LICENSE A BIT CLOSER

A world wide universal ham radio license is a bit closer. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, reports on a meeting that has opened yet another door:

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AUDIO REPORT ONLY: NO TEXT AVAILABLE. Audio is at http://www.arnewsline.org
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It had been hoped that a world license would have been in place by the turn of last century two years ago. Now pundits are suggesting the end of 2009 or maybe 2010. (Q-News)

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AMERICA AT WAR: HAM RADIO COMMEMORATES 911

Amateur radio was at ground zero in New York, Washington and Pennsylvania a year ago. And on the first anniversary of the terror attack that felled the World Trade Center, hams were there once again as the nation paused to reflect. The day before the 911 commemorative ceremonies were held the United States was put on a heightened state of alert for terrorist activity. Color orange the government calls it. And since 911 the words to live by all around the world have been – be vigilant.

Ed Note: From the President of the ARRL addressing the hams of the world on an Internet link-up, to hams in Florida operating air-mobile carrying American Flags to hams in NYC assisting at ceremonies, the Amateur Radio community involved itself in 9-11-2002. Much of it appeared to be planned at the last minute and only now are reports coming into our newsroom. Rather than rush together a report that would not do justice to all that was done, we plan to do in-depth coverage in next weeks newscast. (ARNewsline™ from listener reports)

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THE CHALLANGE TO OUR BANDS: ARRL EXPECTED TO FILE ON THE 222 MHZ ISSUE

The American Radio Relay League is expected to file reply comments in opposition to the initial comments of Data Commlink Incorporated. This, in FCC W T Docket 02-224.

As reported last week, W T Docket 02-224 merely sought to gather comments on requests for waivers on spectrum management services in the 220 to 222 MHz band. But Data Commlink decided to use it as an opportunity to strongly suggest that the FCC remove 222 to 225 MHz from use by radio amateurs and transfer it over to commercial service. Primarily for use by the electric power cooperatives that it represents.

Word is that the League will vigorously defend the 222 to 225 MHz spectrum. Keep an eye on the ARRL website news pages at www.arrl.org for the latest. (ARNewsline™)

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THE SPECTRUM FIGHT: NTIA HEAVES POTENTIAL MONKEY WRENCH INTO 5-MHZ BAND PROPOSAL

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration -- the N-T-I-A -- has recommended that the FCC not grant an ARRL petition for a domestic-only secondary Amateur Radio allocation at 5 MHz. Amateur Radio Newsline’s David Black, KB4KCH, has the details:

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The N-T-I-A regulates radio spectrum allocated to the federal government. According to the ARRL Letter, the last-minute negative recommendation from that agency followed hundreds of largely favorable comments and reply comments from all sorts of organizations and from many individuals.

But in an August 21st letter, the N-T-I-A's Fredrick R. Wentland wrote that federal agencies are making extensive use of High Frequencies for emergency services. This, Wentland says, includes communications support for the Department of Defense, the Coast Guard and Department of Justice.

Wentland, , who is the agency’s Acting Associate Administrator for Spectrum Management went on to say that the N-T-I-A believes the Commission's current proposal does not adequately provide for protection from harmful interference to these critical government operations primary in the band. He says that without a more complete understanding of the interference potential to federal operations, the N-T-I-A believes the secondary amateur allocation would be "premature.”

But Wentland did offer up a carrot so as to speak. He said that N-T-I-A was willing to work with federal agencies, the FCC and the amateur community to determine whether some future accommodation for amateurs at 5 MHz would be possible. However that could include limitations on power or emission types, a reduction in the size of the proposed band, the use of discrete frequencies or geographical restrictions.

From the South-East Bureau, I’m David Black, KB4KCH, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.

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Wentland's letter arrived at the FCC beyond the cut-off date for reply comments for ET Docket 02-98. None-the-less, the N-T-I-A is a powerful agency and when it speaks, all other agencies tend to listen and to obey. (ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W9EAR repeater serving Bloomington Indiana.

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIOSPORTS: US TEAM RETURNS FROM ARDF CHAMPIONSHIPS

This year's team of eleven American on-foot foxhunting enthusiasts were up against more than 300 competitors from 28 other nations, and they came within two minutes of bringing home our first medal. Nadia Mayeva from Mooresville, North Carolina took fourth place in her age category by finding all her required transmitters in 109:02. She was edged out by a YL from China, who won the category bronze medal in 107:20.

Gyuri Nagi KF6YKN of Maspeth, New York placed fifth out of 50 in the hotly-contested M40 category. Tthat's males ages 40 through 49. He and his family put on a one-week training camp for members of Team USA near his native hometown in Hungary during the week before the championships.

This was USA's third trip to the World Championships, which are held in even-numbered years at locations chosen by the International Amateur Radio Union. Team members ranged in age from 33 to 60. Co-captains were Dick Arnett WB4SUV of Erlanger, Kentucky and Bob Frey WA6EZV of Cincinnati, Ohio. Karla Leach KC7BLA of Bozeman, Montana represented USA and IARU Region 2 on the International Jury overseeing the competitions. Her assignment was Course Marshal at one of the foxes.

Complete results for all ARDF Team USA members plus lots more information about the sport are now at Team USA's official Web site: www.homingin.com That's homingin -- one word -- homingin.com

From sunny southern California, this is Joe Moell K-zero-Oscar-Victor, for Amateur Radio Newsline. (K0OV, ARNewsline™)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: BASS OFFICIALLY OFF OCTOBER ISS FLIGHT

It’s now official. The Russian Space Agency has notified NASA that 'N Sync singer Lance Bass, KG4UYY, won't fly to the international space station next month because his backers were unable to raise the $20 million fare.

With backing from corporate sponsors that included Radio Shack and MTV, Bass had hoped to blast off from the Bikenour Cosmodrome in Kazakhstan on October 28th. But the producer of a seven part documentary on Bass experience in space failed to raise the full amount of money needed. The result is that the pop star was grounded by the Russians and a cargo container substituted on the flight in his place.

Had he flown Bass who is age 23 would have been the youngest person and youngest ham radio operator ever in space. He also would have been the third paying space tourist to visit the I-S-S. We'll have more ham radio space related news later in this weeks newscast. (ARNewsline™ from published reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: DONT TAKE 10 ON THE ROAD AGAIN

The FCC has told Cheetah Transportation Company to keep its trucking operation off of the 10 meter Amateur band. In a letter to the Monroesville North Carolina company the FCC says a driver for a vehicle licensed to Cheetah was operating unlicensed radio transmitting equipment on 28.085 MHz. This, while driving on Interstate 77 in South Carolina last June 5th.

In its letter to the company the FCC tells Cheetah Transportation that this operation will subject the person operating the radio to fine or imprisonment if the violation continues. Fines normally range from $7500 to $10,000. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SAYS NYC REPEATER PROBLEM IS SOLVED

The FCC says that a repeater problem in the New York City area has been put to rest. This as the agency places primary responsibility for solving interference on the shoulders of the operator of an uncoordinated repeater. The agency's Daryl Duckwoth, NNZ0W, explains:

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Duckworth: "We closed the case involving a repeater operated by Ramon Floriman, KB2PRV, of Elmhurst New York. Florimam was unable to show coordination and the Enforcement Bureau pointed out that he would be primerilly responsible for resolving any interfertence to a coordinated repeater; that a Control Operator must be present during the operation of the station and that the repeater is to be used only by licensed operators."
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The FCC hopes that closes the book on this one. (RAIN, FCC)

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HAM RADIO EDUCATION: THE BIG PROJECT WORKS

The ARRL Education and Technology Initiative, better known as "The Big Project," has been getting big donations. More important, its getting big results.

The Big Project was created by ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP. League Vice President Kay Cragie, WT3P, made it all work. Its primary objective is the spreading of Amateur Radio into the nation's schools.

The Big Project support fund has already received $198,000 in donations from approximately 3,400 individual ARRL members. The average donation has been about $50. (ARRL Great Lakes Div. Release)

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HAM RADIO TRAINING: HAMTESTONLINE.COM

J. Cunningham and Associates has launched a new subscription website for aspiring radio amateurs and those wanting to upgrade. Called www.hamtestonline.com, the company says that the site is designed to help both new and experienced ham radio enthusiasts prepare for U.S. amateur radio written exams.
According to a press release, HamTestOnline operates entirely online. There is no software to download or install. One click records your answer, provides feedback, and presents the next question. The Website includes all questions from the latest Technician, General, and Amateur Extra question pools.
J. Cunningham & Assoc. is a small software development and consulting firm located on the outskirts of Boston, Massachusetts. They can be contacted by e-mail to webmaster @hamtestonline.com. (Hamtestonline)

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BROADCAST COMMUNICATIONS TRAINING: SBE OFFERS CERTIFICATION

The Society of Broadcast Engineers – the SBE – is offering a program of certification for broadcast engineers. Certificates range from the entry-level Broadcast Technologist to the 20-plus-years-of-experience-needed Professional Broadcast Engineer. The program includes certification for Audio and Video Engineers. There is also a Broadcast Network Technologist which does not include any RF related questions. For more information about SBE Certification contact the SBE chapter nearest to you. (SBE PDX)

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CELEBRATIONS: SCADS AT YEAR 29

The 29th Birthday Meeting of the Southern California Area D-X’ers is slated for September 21st at 12 noon. The venue is the Community Room of the F&M Bank in suburban city of Seal Beach. The meeting is open to the general public. Contact Bill Fisher by e-mail to billfishernow@netzero.net for more information on this special gathering. (SCADS)

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SPECIAL EVENT STATIONS: GB2RAF ON THE AIR

And the permanent special event station GB2RAF located at the UK Royal Air Force Air Defense Radar Museum was to be operational on Saturday the 14th of September between 09:00 and 14:00 UTC in the 80 or 40 meter bands. QSL will be sent to all amateurs who make contact and request one. (GB2RS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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EDUCATION: HOME SCHOOLING HAD HAM RADIO

In California where Amateur Radio Newsline is located, some 150,000 youngsters each year are getting their primary education at home. They are home schoolers. Their teachers are primarily their parents and similar percentages hold for most other states. And there’s a growing question: Has ham radio become a part of the home schooling movement? Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has more:

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Rumors abound that ham radio has become an important addition to the nations home schooling movement but only those involved in home schooling can really tell us -- and you -- what’s happening. To try to find out, Amateur Radio Newsline is going to run one of our “mini surveys.”

To take part is simple. First you need to be a ham radio operator who is home schooling his or her children or a ham radio kid who is being home schooled. If you fit either category, take a moment to send us a note explaining how you are using ham radio in your home schooling curriculum and why you chose it.

Please send your electronic response to newsline@arnewsline.org and be sure to put the words home schooling in the subject line. We will collect the data for the next three weeks and then post some of it to our website. If we get enough input we may even try to write an article on ham radio and home schooling for one of the mainline Amateur Radio magazines -- if they are interested. Lets face it: This could make for a rather interesting project.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF
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Again, if you are a home schooler who uses ham radio in the teaching process please send your e-mail response to newsline@arnewsline.org and be sure to put the words home schooling in the subject line. We thank you for taking part in this survey.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: U-O-SAT 11 HEARD AGAIN

In the world of ham radio in space, word that U-O-SAT 11's V-H-F beacon has been heard once again. Paul Roeder, KK5ET in Houston reports via the AMSAT News Service that he copied the 2 Meter downlink on 145.826 MHz FM. This is a 1200-baud A-F-S-K signal and he heard it between 21:25 and 21:38 UTC pass on September 4th. Paul says that the signal was a strong S 3 to S 5. (ANS)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: JAPAN TO DEVELOP SPACE SHUTTLE

Japan's space agency says that it plans to test an unmanned landing and take-off system next month. That nations National Space Development Agency, or NASDA, that it hopes will one day be used in a reusable shuttle or other spacecraft.

The five-part tests are to begin next month on Christmas Island in the Micronesian archipelago of Kiribati. They will be followed by a second set of tests sometime next year. (K6DUE, NASDA)

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ON THE AIR: THE VHF/UHF FALL SPRINTS

The 2002 Fall Sprints, sponsored by the Southeastern VHF Society, are about to start up. According to Greg Robinson, KB4NVD , the Sprints are a fast paced block of time where all the contest activity is compressed into a short period. That says Robinson makes them a great chance to get on and work lots of stations on your favorite VHF and higher bands.

Robinson says that the bottom four bands all have their own separate evenings for the contest. The microwave bands from 902 MHz and up are grouped together on a weekend morning.

More information about the days of the Sprints , the rules and a list of who is handling the logs for each band will be found on the SVHFS webpage. Its in cyberspace at www.svhfs.org. (VHF Reflector)

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In D-X, word that G3PYB, G8ACE and G8BKE believe they have re-claimed the United Kingdom distance record for 76 gigahertz. Yes that’s 76 gigahertz -- as in way up there in frequency.

On Sunday September 1st, the trio made contact on 75,976.2MHz over a distance of 79.6 kilometres between Ventnor on the Isle of Wight and Highclere, near Newbury in Berkshire England. Further details are on the world wide web and there's a link from the RSGB site at www.rsgb.org. (RSGB)

And nearly at the other end of the spectrum, on August 30th at 05:50 UTC stations G3MLO, and MW0AQD, were in QSO and taking part in the British 'Fivemegs Experiment' on 5398.5kHz at 05:50 UTC. Afterwards, G3MLO received a reception report from ZL2JR, saying that their signals had been copied in New Zealand. MW0AQD was received at '4 and 4' while G3MLO was copied at '5 and 4'.

While the 'Fivemegs Experiment' is intended to investigate propagation within the U-K, the contact was made shortly after sunrise in Britain and around sunset in New Zealand. This is the time that long-distance 'greyline' propagation can be expected to occur (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: A NEW KIND OF BATTERY

And finally this week, a new battery about to be marketed for home video enthusiasts holds a promise in expanding ham radio emergency communications. It is called Instant Power and Amateur Radio Newsline’s Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has more in our technology report:

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One of the most frustrating experiences for a photographer or a ham radio operator is to be in an acute situation that requires equipment work properly and have the batteries powering the equipment go flat. For the photographer it usually means a lost photo opportunity. To the ham radio operator assigned to provide communications during an emergency it could be a life and death situation.

But power reliability could soon increase dramatically. Steve Crow, K4CPX, passes along word that the nations largest photographic retailer, Ritz Camera has announced plans to begin selling a new battery that can keep a camcorder or digital camera shooting away for half a day.

The new source of portable power is Electric Fuel Corp.’s Instant Power disposable batteries. Based upon Electric Fuel's zinc-air technology platform, the Instant Power camcorder battery connects to the camcorder through its DC jack and offers the user up to 10-hours of running time. Another model designed for digital still cameras offers upward of 12 hours of continuous operation time. As with the camcorder battery, the digital camera battery pack comes with a built-in belt clip and 3-foot cord. Both batteries have a five year shelf life in the original sealed aluminum pouch and come complete with a 3-foot cord and an integral belt clip.

While not directly designed for ham radio needs and not a renewable source, the new battery could augment the needs of ham radio operators in emergency communications situations. And here’s where Amateur Radio ingenuity comes in. If models are available that can directly or through some home built regulator adapter be made to power a 5 watt hand-held radio, an Amateur working an emergency situation would have hours of power wll beyond that of his radios normal battery. And depending on how much he transmits, an Electric Fuel battery might run his H-T for several days before requiring replacement. This also gives the possibility of extended operations for low power Field Day stations, QRP treks and similar one-time operations. Best of all it is a date it, put it on the shelf and forget it power source, standing by for the next five years in case it is needed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.

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Electric Fuel also manufacturers a smaller version of this battery technology for cellular phones and P-D-A’s. You can find out more about this new power source and the technology behind it is on the web at www.electric-fuel.com. (K4CPX)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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1399. Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-17 01:08:23 UTC
From: Burt <k1oik@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <U2uh9.494629$UU1.82142@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3684

One day a man, who had been stranded on a desert island for over ten years sees an unusual speck on the horizon. "It's certainly not a ship", he thinks to himself. As the speck gets closer and closer he begins to rule out the possibilities of a small boat, then even a raft.
Suddenly, emerging from the surf, comes a drop dead gorgeous blonde woman wearing a wet suit and scuba gear. She approaches the stunned guy and says to him, "Tell me, how long has it been since you've had a cigarette?" "Ten years," replies the stunned man. With that she reaches over and unzips a waterproof pocket on her left sleeve and pulls out a pack of fresh cigarettes. He takes one, lights it, takes a long drag and says, "Man, oh Man! Is that good!!"
"And how long has it been since you've had a sip of bourbon?" she asks him. Trembling the castaway replies, "Ten years." She reaches over, unzips her right sleeve, pulls out a flask and hands it to him. He opens the flask, takes a long swig and says "WOW, that's absolutely fantastic!"

At this point she starts slowly unzipping the long zipper that runs down the front of her wet suit, looks at the man seductively and asks, "And how long has it been since you've played around?" With tears in his eyes the guy falls to his knees and sobs, "Oh Sweet Jesus! Don't tell me you've got a ham radio in there too?"

1400. Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-17 10:44:49 UTC
From: Burt <k1oik@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <BIDh9.128015$Jo.36149@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3685

One day a man, who had been stranded on a desert island for over ten years sees an unusual speck on the horizon. "It's certainly not a ship", he thinks to himself. As the speck gets closer and closer he begins to rule out the possibilities of a small boat, then even a raft.
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1401. Re: FT-757 Mic problem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-17 20:50:47 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-1709021651390001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3686

In article <3D87696F.9632E5BC@aviate.org>, Michael Carter
<mikec@aviate.org> wrote:

> Has anyone had a problem with the MIC jack on the front of the FT-757GX?
> I have tried a number of microphones and cannot transmit voice at all
> from the jack. Surprisingly, if I plug in my laptop through the AFSK
> jack in the back, I can not only send digital modes fine, but voice as
> well using the microphone in the laptop!
>
> --
> Mike Carter
> Pilot/Programmer
> mikec@aviate.org

This is a silly question, but do you have the right kind of mic? If it takes an electret and you have a dynamic, you may have a problem and visa versa. Just a guess as I don't have the rig or a schematic. Usually the specs are in the front or all the way in the back of the op manual. Gain may also be an issue as well as the silliest thing, wiring. Remember: it's the stupid little things that will get you. Complex things are a piece of cake. :-)

Happy Trails,

Steve WB4CZR

1402. DSS LNBF

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-18 02:37:52 UTC
From: rainsbe@comcast.net
Message-ID: <91863391.0209171837.3babf8e6@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3687

Hi, I am new to the list. I am Ed KD4CBD.

I have a question for the group. I have a DSS LNBF and I was wondering
if it can be coverted for use in one of the Amateur microwave bands.
Or is it only good for some quality MW parts.

73 Ed KD4CBD

1403. APRS Information Needed

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-19 01:54:41 UTC
From: n9mxt1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20020918215441.25625.00007074@mb-md.aol.com>
Source record: 3688

Hello,
I was playing with a APRS program I downloaded off the web and was wondering what I need to make it work? I have a PK232 TNC and a VHF radio hooked. What frequency do I tune too for listening? or transmit on? If you know anything about APRS please email me with the information.

Thanks so much...

Jeffrey - N9MXT
n9mxt1@aol.com

1404. Re: Hey MARKIE BECKIE BOY!!! DOES THINK! THEREFORE HE IS DANGEROUS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-19 14:49:02 UTC
From: Landshark
Message-ID: <ytli9.1889$AM6.66562251@newssvr14.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3689
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner

"Keyclown Busters" <anotherantiaddy@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:b12afcb0.0209190442.1f87c52e@posting.google.com...
> Markie Beckie,
> You better make damn sure you can prove what you say before you make
> some accusations that might just cost ya some trouble. Think long and
> hard, idiot boy.

Oh, it's OK for you (Doug Adair N8WWM) to accuse Tim of being a drug
dealer or Randy of being a drug addict,
but when I show just a small example of what "you"
were doing for months on this newsgroup, that's not ok.

Landshark

From: "Fuck you train the criminal fagboy" <trainSUX@doggieDICK.com>
Sender: "Fuck you train the criminal fagboy" <trainSUX@doggieDICK.com>
Reply-To: "Fuck you train the criminal fagboy" <trainSUX@doggieDICK.com>
Subject: ILLEGAL 2510
Newsgroups: rec.radio.cb
X-User-Info: 207.155.223.138 207.155.223.138
References: <3ad77765$1@news2.mibx.net>
<20010414151712.00751.00000296@ng-fc1.aol.com>
NNTP-Posting-Host: 206.53.132.39
Message-ID: <3ad8ada3$1@news2.mibx.net>
Date: 14 Apr 2001 21:05:55 GMT
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otsanews.com!nntp.primenet.com!nntp.gblx.net!nntp-cust.primenet.com!news2.mi
bx.net
Xref: cyclone-sf.pbi.net rec.radio.cb:206860

From: "Pictures of Landcarp the gayboy " <FAGLANDSHARK@QUEERBAIT.cum>
Sender: "Pictures of Landcarp the gayboy " <FAGLANDSHARK@QUEERBAIT.cum>
Reply-To: "Pictures of Landcarp the gayboy " <FAGLANDSHARK@QUEERBAIT.cum>
Subject: ISNT THE FAGGOT CUTE!!!
Newsgroups: rec.radio.cb
X-User-Info: 207.155.223.83 207.155.223.83
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: multipart/mixed;
boundary="-=_pro55a3af5723a"
NNTP-Posting-Host: pro55a.wfarm.ynn.com

Message-ID: <3af5723a$1@news2.mibx.net>
Date: 6 May 2001 16:48:10 GMT
X-Trace: 6 May 2001 16:48:10 GMT, pro55a.wfarm.ynn.com
Lines: 455
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bx.net
Xref: cyclone-sf.pbi.net rec.radio.cb:210612

From: "The truth about fag ass Landcarp" <fag@landcarp.cum>
Sender: "The truth about fag ass Landcarp" <fag@landcarp.cum>
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Newsgroups: rec.radio.cb
X-User-Info: 207.155.223.66 207.155.223.66
NNTP-Posting-Host: 206.53.132.39
Message-ID: <3b030712$1@news2.mibx.net>
Date: 17 May 2001 00:02:42 GMT
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Lines: 6
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t.com!news2.mibx.net
Xref: cyclone-sf.pbi.net rec.radio.cb:212150

LMAO!!!

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Try sending your complaints to these concerning
Keyclownbusters (anotherantiaddy@yahoo.com IE:
Doug Adair N8WWM):

help@uu.net

abuse-mail@wcom.com

netadmin@ao.wcom.net

groups-abuse@google.com

abuse@yahoo.com

Consumer Affairs
WorldCom
1200 South Hayes Street, 11th fl
Arlington, VA 22202
800-695-4405

1405. Re: Hey MARKIE BECKIE BOY!!! DOES THINK! THEREFORE HE IS DANGEROUS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-19 19:33:50 UTC
From: Fah Q Too <A@b.com>
Message-ID: <yEpi9.12950$EA.516873@news0.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3690
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner

yawwn, someone always wanting to bring a fight to rec.radio.scanner from another newsgroup. guess this group has been quiet too long.

"Landshark" <S3Buell@SBCGlobal.Net.> wrote in message news:ytli9.1889$AM6.66562251@newssvr14.news.prodigy.com...
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> "Keyclown Busters" <anotherantiaddy@yahoo.com> wrote in message
> news:b12afcb0.0209190442.1f87c52e@posting.google.com...
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> Sender: "Fuck you train the criminal fagboy" <trainSUX@doggieDICK.com>
> Reply-To: "Fuck you train the criminal fagboy" <trainSUX@doggieDICK.com>
> Subject: ILLEGAL 2510
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> bx.net
> Xref: cyclone-sf.pbi.net rec.radio.cb:206860

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> Subject: ISNT THE FAGGOT CUTE!!!
> Newsgroups: rec.radio.cb
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> Content-Type: multipart/mixed;
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> Xref: cyclone-sf.pbi.net rec.radio.cb:212150
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> LMAO!!!
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> --
> Try sending your complaints to these concerning
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> Doug Adair N8WWM):

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> help@uu.net
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> abuse-mail@wcom.com
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> netadmin@ao.wcom.net
>
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1406. Re: MFJ-1278 pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-20 15:03:59 UTC
From: Anders <aao15@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <xNGi9.240$hT3.1087@nntpserver.swip.net>
Source record: 3691
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

Yes, thank you very much!

"Sam Ess" <jacksno7@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:uo6fuvssjmb25e@corp.supernews.com...
> from an OLD MFJ 1278B manual (1993), The MFJ-1278 J2 pinouts are
> 1=microphone audio
> 2=Receiver audio
> 3=PTT
> 4=Ground
> Is that what you need?
>
> forrest
> --
> Forrest Shelton Clark
> A CircuitRider on the Internet
> Baraboo, WI 53913
>
> "Anders" <aao15@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:5QEg9.28439$t4.24272@nntpserver.swip.net...
> > Hi!
> >
> > Anyone have the MFJ-1278 pinout?
> > Please e-mail me: anders.olandersson@swipnet.se
> >
> > 73's
> >
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1407. Re: MFJ-1278 pinout

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-20 15:06:18 UTC
From: Anders <aao15@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <HPGi9.241$hT3.1029@nntpserver.swip.net>
Source record: 3692
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.digital,rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,uk.radio.amateur

thanks!

"charlesb" <n5pvl@sbcglobal.net> wrote in message
news:%2Fg9.11686$Jm1.2720295058@newssvr30.news.prodigy.com...
>
> "Anders" <aao15@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:5QEg9.28439$t4.24272@nntpserver.swip.net...
> > Hi!
> >
> > Anyone have the MFJ-1278 pinout?
> >
> >I'm looking for Yaesu YM-38 microphone schematics...Anyone have it?
> >Please e-mail me: anders.olandersson@swipnet.se
>
> The place to look is http://www.packetradio.com
>
> Lots of good hookup info there!
>
> Charles, N5PVL
>
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>

1408. Venta equipos radioaficionado CB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-20 17:01:26 UTC
From: Pablo de Lorza <pablolorza@terra.es>
Message-ID: <GvIi9.8895$sI1.95898@telenews.teleline.es>
Source record: 3693
Cross-posted to: es.misc.anuncios.compra-venta,es.rec.radio.amateur,es.rec.radio.misc,es.rec.radio.ondacorta,rec.radio.amateur

Hola:

Tengo el siguiente material para vender. Llamame al tel�fono 606359856 y convenimos un precio. Un saludo.

EQUIPOS
=========

- Emisora 27 MHz Super Jopix 2000 (con frecuenc�metro)

- Walkye Midland Alan Plus 95 con cargador y bater�a

- Emisora President Lincoln (decam�trica con 27MHz)

- Walkye 27 MHz AM COBRA con base magn�tica y antena telesc�pica

ACCESORIOS
==============

- Micro de base Sadelta Echo Master Plus Classic

- Medidor SWR y acoplador de base Zetagi HP-1000

- Preamplificador de recepcion Syncron HP 28S

- Amplificador lineal con previo de recepci�n Syncron B-300 PS

- Amplificador a v�lvulas Syncron AL-250 NLS

- Medidor SWR y acoplador de movil Euro CB TM100

- Fuente de alimentaci�n regulable RM 25V (20 a 25 amperios)

ANTENAS
==========

- Antena base 27 MHz Sirtel 5/8 8 radiales

- Antena base Sirtel 1/2 onda

- Antena m�vil Santiago 1200 5/8 onda

- Antena m�vil Tagra 5/8 onda

- Antena telesc�pica para walkye 27MHz

- Antena para VHF de base magn�tica

- 2 antenas rosaca mariposa para VHF (Radio Taxi)

OTROS
=========

- Manipulador de telegraf&#65533;a

- Bater&#65533;a seca 12V , 2&#65533;2 amperios

- Altavoz exterior 50 ohms

- Soporte para m&#65533;vil o walkye sobremesa

- 15 metros cable RG213

- 11 metros de cable paralelo

******* SI TE INTERESA ALGO LLAMAME AL TELEFONO 606359856. JUAN
****

1409. Markie Beckie is a limpwristed keyclown ididot

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-20 22:30:46 UTC
From: anotherantiaddy@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <b12afcb0.0209201430.1b7b2170@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3694
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner

The only danger you pose is to your pekker from yankin it too hard
while watching gay porn videos. What a laugh to even consider you as
dangerous. Humorous, yes indeed, tho...

Well, 1st of all...I never said any such thing about dweebqueen. His
own words convict him. 2nd, Chapwoman admitted his crack use. 3rd, I
really don't care what you say. Prove it was me though. If you don't
you will care what you SAID.

Post and accuse all you want. Just have some proof. So far I see none.
Just like when you said N8 sells illegal equipment. It is expected
though. You are a keyqueen, and keyqueens lie as a function of their
lives.

Tell us about you and twithed and FUGGLY kid...twithed is being quiet
about it.

Get busy, Markie Beckie...your Master commands.

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> Doug Adair N8WWM):
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> abuse-mail@wcom.com
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> netadmin@ao.wcom.net
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> groups-abuse@google.com
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> WorldCom
> 1200 South Hayes Street, 11th fl
> Arlington, VA 22202
> 800-695-4405

1410. Re: Pursing Prosecution Of Illegal & Unlawful Operators!!!!!!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-22 05:53:07 UTC
From: Doug Owens <dougowens1@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <3d8d5a45$1_7@news.meganetnews.com>
Source record: 3695

Crt4239,

Please do pursue the matter! The 2 meter band is a prescious resource that the people of the United States have allocated to the Amateur Radio Service not to child molestors and other misfits.

In addition to the other good advice on this thread, you may want to contact the ARRL Section Manager in your area, John Rodgers n3mse@arrl.org who may be able to provide other recommendations and assistance.

Best regards,

Doug

"Crt4239" <crt4239@aol.com> wrote in message news:20020909230838.19108.00002378@mb-fz.aol.com...
> Could someone suggest a weblink on how to pursue Federal prosecution of illegal
> and unlawful operators? I'm in the Philadelphia are and have heard (on 2 meter
> frequecies) explicit sexual discussions on how to have sex with children, music
> broadcasts, singing, extremely crude language, and even CB radio (channel 19's
> audio) being transmitted on the 2 meter frequencies. All those I heard (about
> 10 individuals) appear to know each other and some are actually giving their
> licenses identifications. If I'm just wasting my time in seeking to bring
> these individuals to justice and clean up my local 2 meter frequencies, please
> be honest and let me know and I'll just sell my new 2 meter radio.

1411. user manual for Sony ICF-7600G

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-25 06:51:13 UTC
From: rao_vasu@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3f4c0ce3.0209242251.1ce018a2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3696

Hi ,
Anybody have an idea about where I can download the user manual for
the Sony ICF-7600G ?

Thanks in advance
Vasu

1412. Re: Markie Beckie is a limpwristed keyclown ididot

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-28 00:22:16 UTC
From: richcranus@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <c5ecbb69.0209271622.2dfb5083@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3697
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner

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> while watching gay porn videos. What a laugh to even consider you as
> dangerous. Humorous, yes indeed, tho...
>
> Well, 1st of all...I never said any such thing about dweebqueen. His
> own words convict him. 2nd, Chapwoman admitted his crack use. 3rd, I
> really don't care what you say. Prove it was me though. If you don't
> you will care what you SAID.
>
> Post and accuse all you want. Just have some proof. So far I see none.
> Just like when you said N8 sells illegal equipment. It is expected
> though. You are a keyqueen, and keyqueens lie as a function of their
> lives.
>
> Tell us about you and twithed and FUGGLY kid...twithed is being quiet
> about it.
>
> Get busy, Markie Beckie...your Master commands.

Another intelligent (NOT!) post from Doug (Doggie) Adairierre - N8WWM,
the real Queen.

1413. Wanted: Manual for Kenwoord stuff

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-28 09:16:04 UTC
From: OZ1BV <"oz1bv oz1bv.dk">
Message-ID: <3d957354$0$32518$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 3698
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

Hello HAM's

I am looking for the following Kenwood manuals:
* User- & Technical Manual for AT-250 automatic antenna tuner
* Technical Manual for TS-430S

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Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian
www.oz1bv.dk
www.oz1bv.dk/byttesiden

1414. Re: Markie Beckie is a limpwristed keyclown ididot

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-28 15:28:11 UTC
From: witchdoc@attbi.com
Message-ID: <3aed93cc.0209280728.68b21a8a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3699
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner

anotherantiaddy@yahoo.com (Keyclown Busters) wrote in message
news:<b12afcb0.0209201430.1b7b2170@posting.google.com>...
> The only danger you pose is to your pekker from yankin it too hard
> while watching gay porn videos.

Oh brother... CB's old '80s homophobes simply refuse to fade... poor
old duffers can't see themselves coming & going...

Guy

1415. pH meter and valves FS

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-09-28 16:17:53 UTC
From: testing_h@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <2c2cf14c.0209280817.59060896@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3600
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Hey,

Anyone interested ? I got this from a dead valve pH meter, it is a high precision pH meter, horizontal scale from 0 to 14 pH and from 0 to 800 mV . Meter impedance 13.5 ohms .

I also have the following valves, from the same meter .
CV4024 dual triode, seems OK, heaters work . Good condition.

Mullard EF37A, unknown condition

Mullard ME 1400, unknown condition

-Andre

1416. FS: High powered 1.2GHz video TX/RX pair

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-01 14:37:04 UTC
From: "MLK / ES.com" <mkatz3@cfl.rr.com>
Message-ID: <kqim9.33534$g73.1075140@twister.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3601
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap

I have one left of these units I evaluated. The video transmitter is a 1.2GHz, 800mW (.8W), very small, will fit in matchbox, runs on 9-12VDC, 125mA. Receiver is tunable with antenna / power supply. No audio, just crisp video. photos upon request. I will sell unit with color or B&W CCD camera if you like. Unit is small enough to fit anywhere.
Size (mm) 43 x 32 x 4

Asking $300 free shipping, lower 48 states, paypal or POSTAL mo only.

1417. HELP!!....Need Faceplate for Scanner...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-03 17:39:29 UTC
From: klarrg@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021003133929.24319.00000425@mb-mc.aol.com>
Source record: 3604

Need FACEPLATE in very very good to excellent condition for older ELECTRA-Bearcat BC-20/20 base scanner.Will pay GOOD price for the right one .Would appreciate photo or scan with Email from you, if at all possible. All replies answered.(Have already tried G&G and all COMMERCIAL sources...) THANKS IN ADVANCE ! (<:

1418. WTB: Johnson Matchbox Tuner

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-03 19:37:17 UTC
From: "Robert M. Brown" <bobbrown_2@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <o17ppu4p3du2891j81jurbmh0c1abk7blf@4ax.com>
Source record: 3603

Either 275-watt or 1KW. Please contact W9HBF at
bobbrown_2@hotmail.com

1419. WTB: Johnson Matchbox

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-03 19:38:19 UTC
From: "Robert M. Brown" <bobbrown_2@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <847ppu80qnb66l3aph7vnimk9tdl788ae0@4ax.com>
Source record: 3602

Please contact W9HBF at bobbrown_2@hotmail.com. Thanks.

1420. ARNewsline 1311 - Sept 27 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-04 07:27:09 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021004032709.11598.00013172@mb-fi.aol.com>
Source record: 3605

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1311 – September 27, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1311 with a release date of Friday, September 27th 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Unlicensed stations invade the low end of 20 meters and a tower finding in California highlight this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1311 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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INTRUDER WATCH: WORLDWIDE QRM FROM INDONESIA

Unlicensed stations allegedly operating from Indonesia are causing havoc to the D-X beacon monitoring system on 20 meters. Its interference being heard around the world as we hear from Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

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The presence of Indonesian non amateur groups on the various amateur band frequencies in the 40 and 20 meter bands is causing severe concern for all the amateurs of Region 3 and the world over. While they use amateur radio frequencies for their regular communications, you will never miss the many calls for Prayers and the many jokes and Kookaburra pattern of laughing with old men and young ladies together.

The 40 meter band has several channels of 5 kHz intervals from the lower edge and these stations have their breeding grounds here. They graduate to other frequencies and move to 20 meter band, where they are on either side of the International Beacon frequency of 14100 kHz. Many of us in Region 3, cannot monitor any NCDXF/IARU beacons on this frequency.

Even though this QRM from Indonesians has been reported month after month to telecommunications authorities, so far nothing seems to be happening get them off the air.
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If you hear this QRM, please report it to your nations Intruder Watch coordinator.
(Q-News)

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RADIO LAW: COURT RULES CITY CANNOT RESTRICT BUSINESS ANTENNA USE

A California Court of Appeals has ruled that a city cannot regulate the type of transmissions that an FCC license holder can broadcast. It also says that a

city ordinance that prohibited a license holder from broadcasting commercially is preempted by federal law. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, says what the city of Rancho Palos Verdes was trying to write its own rules on this one:

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Mark Abrams, WA6DPB, lives in Rancho Palos Verdes California. He is an amateur radio operator and with city approval, Abrams built a 40-foot antenna and 52-foot antenna in the backyard of his home. The city’s approval of the towers was contingent on their use being limited to non-commercial applications only. Abrams is also the owner of a business that sells and services two-way radio equipment and holds 76 licenses issued by the FCC which permitted the use of his antennas for commercial purposes.
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Abrams: Audio Onlt at www.arnewsline.org.
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Abrams says that he never used the two city-approved towers to receive or transmit on frequencies for commercial use. Instead, he used portable antennas mounted on tripods in his backyard and on a mobile tower trailer which he parked in his side yard.

But in 1998 and 1999, the City of Rancho Palos Verdes monitored radio transmissions from Abrams's property and detected the commercial use of frequencies. The City stated that these transmissions were in violation of an ordinance that required FCC licensees to obtain a conditional use permit from the city's planning commission to operate commercially.

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Abrams: Audio only at www.arnewsline.org
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The City of Rancho Palos Verdes and State of California filed an action seeking an injunction to bar Abrams from, among other things, operating his antennas for commercial purposes. Abrams answered the complaint and filed a cross-complaint of his own. It he claimed that federal law preempted the City's ordinance because it prohibited the use of frequencies allocated to him and his customers by the FCC.

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Abrams: Audio only at www.arnewsline.org
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The court says that he can use his antennas for commercial purposes without a city permit. It says that federal law preempts the City's ordinance banning such use because the Rancho Palos Verdes requirement that Abrams obtain a permit to transmit a commercial broadcast was preempted by federal regulation. It says that Abrams's FCC licenses enable him to operate commercially on certain frequencies and the City of Rancho Palos Verdes limitation on his rights are in conflict with federal law. And that’s good news for WA6DPB.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reporting.
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The Court concluded the City does hold zoning authority, but such authority is limited to the placement, construction, and modification of facilities used for commercial mobile radio services only. (ARNewsline™)

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RADIO RULES: UPDATE ON NTIA VS. PROPOSED 5 MHZ HAM BAND

Some good news concerning the National Telecommunications and Information Administration opposition to a new Amateur service allocation at 5 Mhz. This from ARRL President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, and General Counsel Chris Imlay, W3KD who say that they are now optimistic about reaching a resolution to issues that could otherwise block plans for the band.

The two met with representatives of the government agency to discuss the NTIA concerns. Haynie says that they came away with a feeling that the NTIA was willing to work with the ARRL to resolve concerns. Until surprise opposition surfaced the FCC appeared to have put ARRL's request for a new, domestic-only, secondary amateur allocation at 60 meters on the political fast track. (ARRL Bulletin)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Three Rivers Amateur Radio Club repeater serving Philadelphia Pennsylvania.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HURRICANE ISADORE STRIKS

On Tuesday, September 24th, the FCC declared that a general communications emergency existed for Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas. This as hurricane Isadore approached the region.

The declaration requires amateurs not use 3.873 MHz during hours of darkness and 7.285 MHz during daylight. Both frequencies are to be protected plus or minus 3 kHz. Only amateurs taking part in the handling of emergency traffic are to use these 6 kilohertz slots.

The FCC said the communications emergency could last as long as 14 days but it actually remains in force until its rescinded. Keep an eye on the ARRL website newspages for ongoing updates on ham radio involvement in this emergency. Its in cyberspace at www.arl.org (From ARRL bulletin.)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: V-U-SAT’S MESSAGES FROM ORBIT

A new ham radio satellite to be launched by India wants to carry your message. This, according to VU2NUD who is the coordinator for Amsat-India.

VU2NUD says that V-U-SAT will carry a beacon system with the ability to play back pre recorded messages on command. They will be transmitted in F-M voice

for all the world to hear and your words could be among those it broadcasts from space. Here's how:

Think of short, meaningful and apropos messages no longer than 15 seconds in duration. It could be related to ham radio space operations, amateur satellites, famous quotes, sayings or whatever. Then send it along to VU2SBJ by e- mail to sri@ebhats.com and a copy to ham@vsnl.com. Mark clearly in the subject: Message for Beacon. Then wait to see what V-U-SAT eventually has to say. (ANS)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SETS ASIDE LICENSE RENEWAL

The FCC has notified Scott E. Kamm, of Sioux City Iowa that it has set aside the renewal of his Technician class license grant for N0UGN. The Commission said it took the action based on recent complaints about the operation of Kamm's station and questions regarding his qualifications to be a licensee.

The FCC notes a Warning Notice by the Enforcement Bureau sent to Kamm last February 5th. The agency says that the warning was related to Kamm's alleged use of transmitting equipment on 156.300 and 174.000 MHz without a license, and deliberate interference to an Amateur repeater operating on 146.910 MHz. The letter also pointed out that Kamm's address in the database was incorrect. And subsequent to that warning notice the FCC says that information came to its attention that Kamm had apparently provided radio equipment to an unlicensed minor residing in Waterbury, Nebraska, and had instructed him on how to operate on the Marine Band and other frequencies.

In his February 11th response to the FCC Warning Notice, Kamm denied setting up radio equipment for the minor, and also stated that he had sold all of his radio equipment. But the FCC says that it has all of these complaints under review and that Kamm will be hearing from the agency again in the not to distant future. (FCC)

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SAFETY ALERT: FLUKE METER RECALL

Test equipment manufacturer Fluke Corporation has announced a voluntary recall of certain models of its digital multimeters. This because of a delay in readings on the A-C scale above 500 volts.

According to a company release, the meters can take more than 18 seconds to reach a final reading. This could lead users to think that the voltage is lower than it actually is.

The meters involved in the recall are models 175, 177 and 179 of which 17000 were sold in the United States. All of the recalled units have a serial number below 79000000 and were sold between January and October 2001. If you have one, please call Fluke toll-free at 800-260-4819 between 8 AM and 7 PM weekdays Eastern time. More information on the recall can be found in cyberspace at www.fluke.com/rma/default.asp. (Fluke press release forwarded by WA6ILQ)

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SAFETY ALERT: KODAK DC5000 DIGI CAMERA RECALL

A recall on a popular digital camera. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the shocking details:

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If you own a Kodak brand digital camera model D C 5000, listen up. Eastman Kodak Co. is recalling about 75,000 of these cameras because of a possible manufacturing defect that can cause electrical shock.

According to news reports, the recalled cameras bear the model number DC5000 on the lower front right-hand corner. The cameras also carry a plate on the bottom containing the Kodak product identifier code KJCAA, followed by an eight-digit serial number ranging from 01800001 to 11700825.

The cameras were sold at department, electronic, computer and camera stores as well as mail-order and Web sites from June 2000 through August 2002. Consumers can return the cameras for free inspection and repair by contacting the company at 1-888-793-2977 between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Friday Eastern Daylight Time.
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Again, if you own one of these cameras, please contact Kodak at 1-888-793-2977 between 9 a.m. and 8 p.m. Monday through Friday Eastern Daylight Time. (Kodak press release)

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HAM RADIO ON TV: ICOM JOINS “THE HUMAN RACE”

ICOM America has been named the high frequency communications provider for the television shoe The Human Race. ICOM America has already shipped an IC-706 Mark II G to Boston for use by the show. The IC-706 and additional equipment will be used during an upcoming trek along the actual travel route to be used. The donation is the result of an agreement recently reached between ICOM America's National Sales Manager Ray Novak, KC7JPA, and the shows producer Bill Desjardins, W1ZY. (THR)

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CONFRENCES: WSWSS IN CERRITOS CA

The Western States VHF-UHF and Microwave Conference is slated for October 11, 12 and 13 at the Sheraton Cerritos Hotel Towne Center in Cerritos California. Hosted by the Western States Weak Signal Society, the conference provides VHF and UHF enthusiasts the knowledge and tools to work DX and contests on 6 meters and up. This years banquet speaker is ARRL 1st Vice-President and VHF/UHF contester Joel Harrison, W5ZN. More information is on the web at www.wswss.org. (WSWSS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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RADIO HISTORY: PEARL HARBOR REPORTER S.K.

He wasn't a ham, but Hugh Lytle was a communicator in his own right. History remembers Lytle as the man whose teletype message provided The Associated Press and the world with the first account of Japan's sneak attack on Pearl Harbor back in 1941.

Lytle was the news services Honolulu correspondent and a reserve Army officer. He was awakened by the Army on December 7th as Japanese planes bombed the U.S. fleet. According to his son David, Lytle quickly left for his A-P office at the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, where he filed a brief account of the attack in progress. He then reported for military duty with the Army.

A few weeks ago on August 16th Hugh Lytle passed away. He was 100 years old. (Published reports)

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HAM TRAVEL: FREE ACCOMMODATIONS FOR HAMS ON THE GO

From across the Atlantic comes word of an interesting program for hams who like to move around. The International Travel Host Exchange, or I-T-H-E is a program administered by the German national society, D.A.R.C. It provides radio amateurs with the possibility of free accommodation with other amateurs around the world in exchange for other hams offering accommodation to overseas amateurs.

Most International Travel Host Exchange members are in Europe, but there are also amateurs registered in Australia, Canada, India, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, New Zealand, Syria, Thailand and the USA. Once registered, postal or e-mail addresses are made available so that contact can be established well before any visit takes place. For more information please contact Thilo Kootz, DL9KCE by e-mail to dl9kce@darc.de.

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SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY: NEW GRAYLINE STUDY REMAILER

A new Internet newsgroup has been set up to discuss and coordinate the current research into greyline propagation by the RSGB Propagation Studies Committee. It is with Yahoo and people can subscribe by sending an empty e-mail to greyline-subscribe@yahoogroups.co.uk

Yahoogroups is also the home of the Amateur Radio Newsline e-mail list you subscribe to it by sending a similar empty e-mail to arnewsline-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. ARNewsline is one word spelled a-r-n-e-w-s-l-i-n-e.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RS-12/13 - S.K.

The AMSAT News Service and the ARRL Letter both report that the Russian Radiosport RS-12/13 ham satellite appears to have died. Jerry Brown, K5OE, reports he's received word from Russian sources that RS-12/13 went dark as a result of severe solar flare activity in
July and August.

At airtime, efforts are under way to restore the satellite, but hopes for success are dim, according to Brown's Russian acquaintances. RS-12/13 were integrated into the COSMOS 2123 Russian navigation satellite, launched February 5, 1991. It’s beacons have not been heard since August 20. (ANS, ARRL Letter)

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INTERNATIONAL - AUSTRALIA: CB RULES ARE CHANGING

The Australian UHF CB equipment standard is to change. The new standard will require that CTCSS equipment include facilities to reduce interference to non CTCSS users. Required features include a 'channel busy' warning light and a 'listen before transmit' function. The changes were required by the Australian Communications Authority following changes that legalized CTCSS signaling on UHF CB channels. The A-C-A has also informed the Australian Association of Citizens Band Radio Operators that once the standards are approved by Standards Australia, they will become compulsory for equipment manufacturers. (Q-News)

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DX

In D-X, word that KF2XN is active as KH2 slash KF2XN from Guam for at least the next month. He operates mostly SSB in his spare time. QSL as directed on the air. (RSGB)

And BI7DX is an Isands on the Air expedition that will operate from Weizhou Island throuhgh the 4th of October. Weizhou Island is located in the Gulf of Tongking in South China with team members comming from four different Chinese provences. The operation will be on SSB and CW from 40 to 10 meters, including the WARC bands. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE BIRDS ARE BACK

And finally this week, our favorite flying T-Hunt is about to start. This, as the famed radio tagged burrowing owls take flight once again. With the details, here’s Joe Moell, K0OV.

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It's that time again -- migratory birds in the Northern Hemisphere are heading south for the winter. For the fifth year, ham radio operators and scanner fans are being asked to use their equipment to help wildlife biologists figure out the routes and final destinations of endangered Burrowing Owls. In previous

years, hams helped determine that owls hatching during summer months in the Canadian provinces of Saskatchewan and Alberta travel over central states from North Dakota to Oklahoma, ending up in southeast Texas and northern states of Mexico. They sometimes fly over 2000 miles to their winter homes.

There aren't any radio-tagged Canadian owls to listen for this fall, but the University of Arizona is asking for ham help with 53 transmittered owls from eastern Washington state. If you live in the western USA and can receive 150 MHz signals, you could help. Your scanner or extended-range hand-held ham radio transceiver, plus an outside antenna, are all you need to join in. If you have radio direction finding equipment for VHF, so much the better.

For all the frequencies and monitoring information, go to the usual place on the Web, www.homingin.com (HomingIn is one word.) If you aren't on the Web, send postal mail to my callbook address. Again, the Web site is homingin.com

Thanks in advance for your help. From southern California, this is Joe Moell K-zero-Oscar-Victor for Amateur Radio Newsline

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Once again, more information is in cyberspace at www.homingin.com. (ARNewsline™)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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A reminder that our survey how ham radio is being used by home schoolers is still taking place. If you are a home schooling parent or a student being home schooled, please send your thoughts on the subject by e-mail to newsline@arnewsline.org. We will keep the survey going for one more week.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Jim Damron N8TMW and I’m Jeff Clark K8JAC saying 73 and we thank you for listening.
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1421. Re: Cobra FSR 2 way radios .. legal in Australia?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-04 15:57:44 UTC
From: Earth Wolf <"Earth Wolf"@telusplanet.net>
Message-ID: <3D9DBC97.80006@telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3606

Apparently not.

From the website:

http://www.rparker.com/Products/TwoWayRadio/FRS225.htm

The FRS radios shown here are manufactured to US and Canadian product specifications and can be used legally in these two countries only. Cobra PMR and MT model radios which are being sold and used in Europe which appear similar in design are in fact built to a different specification (Ref. ETSI 300 296) and operate in a different frequency and channel range. Likewise product specifications for similar radios in Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa also differ from those for The US and Canada and Europe. Accordingly the sale and use of FRS radios manufactured and operating under the US and Canadian approved frequency and channel ranges are ILLEGAL in Europe, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

Des wrote:

>I recently bought a set of these Cobra FSR 2 way radios in Canada......are
>they legal to use in Australia?
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> Thanks
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In accordance with a first aspect of the present invention, there is provided a transportation facilitation device including a circular rim, a bearing in which a hollow cylindrical member is rotatable about a rod situated within the hollow cylindrical member, and a series of connecting members connecting the circular rim with the hollow cylindrical member to maintain the circular rim and the hollow cylindrical member in substantially fixed relation, wherein the rod is positioned on an axis perpendicular to the plane of the circular rim, and substantially central of the circular rim.

Abstract from John Keogh's successful 2001 application for an Australian patent (Innovation Patent #2001100012) for the "Circular transportation facilitation device" aka "wheel".

1422. RCI 2995dx yahoogroup

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-05 01:41:15 UTC
From: njdxer <njdxer@netzero.netnojunk>
Message-ID: <3d9e43a9_4@news.teranews.com>
Source record: 3607

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/rci2995dx

1423. Diode ring mixers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-05 17:48:48 UTC
From: matt-smith@sympatico.ca
Message-ID: <69ecca49.0210050948.5bccb000@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3608

Hi,
I'm a telecommunications student at Conestoga College. I am in my last year and am currently working on my final project. I am designing hybrid ring mixers to upconvert a signal to 4GHz, transmit it, then demodulate it. I need to find specifications for hybrid ring mixers that have already been made. The reason being my professor wants me to take one of the specifications like insertion losses, conversion losses noise etc. and improve on it in my design. I have looked all over for documented specifications of ring mixers but can't find anything anywhere. Any help would be greatly appreciated!
Thanks,
Matt

1424. Re: motorola pt500

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-05 18:50:52 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-0510021451530001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3609

In article <Bt6n9.14949$YK4.1589242@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>, Bruce Burke <wb4yucXX@junoXX.com> wrote:

> motsteve@attbi.com (carltons) wrote in
> news:motsteve-0310020430020001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com:
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>
> YIKES! My ears are burning. Sorry, but that box is before my time and I
> seriously doubt there is any parts stocked anywhere in the company any
> longer. It has been obsolete for probably 20 years now.
>
> -Bruce

Common on Bruce. I bet Bob Walker, Ron Adams or Mike Briley has something.

Steve

1425. Re: Diode ring mixers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-05 20:22:59 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021005162259.15322.00006977@mb-mn.aol.com>
Source record: 3610

>I need to find specifications for hybrid ring
>mixers that have already been made.

If all you need is specifications, try the Anaren catalog. They have well documented specifications for the quantaties you are looking for.

1426. Re: motorola pt500

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-06 01:49:37 UTC
From: Philip Salem <kb5fls@cox.net>
Message-ID: <REMn9.9030$QX3.4254@news2.central.cox.net>
Source record: 3611

The reason I wanted to know, is that I was thinking about buying one from a guy. I decided against it though. I appreciate all the responses.
Phil
"Bruce Burke" <wb4yucXX@junoXX.com> wrote in message news:lDJn9.26943$OM4.23007949@e3500-atl1.usenetserver.com...
> motsteve@attbi.com (carltons) wrote in
> news:motsteve-0510021451530001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com:
>
> > In article <Bt6n9.14949$YK4.1589242@e3500-atl2.usenetserver.com>,
> > Bruce Burke <wb4yucXX@junoXX.com> wrote:
> >
> >> motsteve@attbi.com (carltons) wrote in
> >> news:motsteve-0310020430020001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com:
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> >>
> >> YIKES! My ears are burning. Sorry, but that box is before my time and
> >> I seriously doubt there is any parts stocked anywhere in the company
> >> any longer. It has been obsolete for probably 20 years now.
> >>
> >> -Bruce
> >
> >
> > Common on Bruce. I bet Bob Walker, Ron Adams or Mike Briley has
> > something.
> >
> >
> > Steve
> >
>
> Ron retired years ago. Bob doesn't I work with him, he's retiring in
> November. Don't know about Mike.
>
> -Bruce
>

1427. HELP Kenwood TS 120

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-06 01:52:09 UTC
From: Philip Salem <kb5fls@cox.net>
Message-ID: <dHMn9.9031$QX3.843@news2.central.cox.net>
Source record: 3612

On my Kenwood TS 120 hf rig, I have a problem on the 15 and 10 meter bands. First of all when I transmit on 20, 40, or 80, I can see the meter moving on the radio when I talk. When I use the 15 or 10 meter band, it pegs the meter when I have the ALC button pushed in. I turn down the mic gain until it does not do that, but then it doesn't move at all. I have not been able to get any kind of contacts from anyone on these bands. Can anyone tell me what might be wrong? I would appreciate it.
73's
Phil kb5fls@cox.net

1428. Re: HELP Kenwood TS 120

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-06 03:21:26 UTC
From: Philip Salem <kb5fls@cox.net>
Message-ID: <W_Nn9.9199$QX3.6696@news2.central.cox.net>
Source record: 3613

Its been solved.
Thanks,
Phil
"Philip Salem" <kb5fls@cox.net> wrote in message
news:dHMn9.9031$QX3.843@news2.central.cox.net...
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1429. Unbelievable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-06 19:47:43 UTC
From: dholloway <dholloway@futura.net>
Message-ID: <Jr0o9.8739$34.1102641@newsfeed.slurp.net>
Source record: 3614

Onside kick with four minutes to play and all three timeouts - god, how stupid!

1430. Help finding SoCal linked repeater system.. Please advise!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-06 23:18:23 UTC
From: steve@waits.net
Message-ID: <f327e120.0210061518.4d17518e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3615

Hi all,

I'm a new ham and am interested in joining a closed/private repeater system. I live in San Diego and here's what I'm looking for, listed by priority:

1) Good San Diego coverage, from Oceanside to Chula Vista to El Cajon

2) Common input frequency ("voting" system)

3) Relatively small system; San Diego and maybe some of OC/Riverside coverage is plenty. It seems that a larger system might be better suited to more important communications. Correct me if I'm wrong.

4) Would like IRLP access.

5) 6m/2m/70cm - any should be fine, I care less about the band; whatever it takes to get the coverage.

Other nice things such as a private tone, or voice mail boxes, or sister system agreements would just be icing on the cake I guess. I don't so much care about an autopatch being available, but it seems that nearly all systems have this anyway.

I've read the web sites of ALERT, CalNet, WINsystem, etc. With so many systems out there, I'm a little bit overwhelmed.

As it is I already plan on joining SANDRA and PARC since it seems that they each provide some excellent repeaters. I can't imagine not sending some financial support their way!

Thanks for your help!

--Steve

1431. ARNewsline 1312 - Oct 4 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-07 01:17:52 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021006211752.06793.00014593@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 3616

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1312 – October 4, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1312 with a release date of Friday, October 4th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A new world-wide threat to ham radio on 70 centimeters tops this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1312 coming your way right now.

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RADIO REGULATIONS: A WORLDWIDE CHALLENGE TO 70 CM

If you operate on 70 centimeters anyplace in the world, listen up. Your future access to that band is in peril. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the details on how a proposed satellite system could run hams off of the band:

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It has come to the attention of the South African Radio League, SARL that the threat to the 70-cm band -- world wide -- is once again very real. The SARL has just received a discussion paper which will be tabled at the World Radio Conference next year -- WRC-03 -- which directly targets the portion of 432 to 438 MHz for exclusive use by the planned Earth Exploration Satellite Service or EESS, due to be launched soon.

If this proposal is carried at the World Radio Conference next year it, will see this portion of spectrum allocated on a worldwide basis and this spells the death knell of all 70-cm ham radio operation.

The section of the proposal and the motivation is as follows: Agenda Item 1.38: '...to consider provision of up to 6 MHz of frequency spectrum to the Earth exploration-satellite service active in the frequency band 420-470 MHz, in accordance with Resolution 727 that was revised at WRC-2000.
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But why target the Amateur Radio allocation at 70 centimeters? The researchers who want it say its the only frequency that will work. Again, Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

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According to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development -- UNCED -- held in Rio de Janeiro in 1992, there is an urgent need for assessment and systematic observations of forest cover and rate of forest degradation in tropical and temperate regions. Active space borne sensors Synthetic Aperture Radars (SARs) are needed to enable the monitoring of forest biomass.

Systems operating on frequencies around 450 MHz can penetrate the canopy of forests, and have the capability to determine the ground-trunk interaction and are in the context of forest cover information of particular importance.

Systems operating at 1.3 GHz, or higher frequencies cannot penetrate the canopy. The spectrum around 450 MHz is also optimal for monitoring of continental ice and for monitoring of vegetation and soil surfaces for desert and tropical areas.
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More on this story in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (Q-News, SARL, ARNewsline™)

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HAM POLITICS: HAM-CONGRESSMAN APPOINTED TO KEY HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE

Back here in the U-S-A the ARRL Letter reports that Oregon Republican Congressman Greg Walden, WB7OCE, has been appointed to fill a vacancy on the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications and the Internet. Walden is one of only two amateurs in the U-S House of Representatives, and his appointment to the key House panel dealing with communications matters is considered good news for the ham radio community. Walden's selection was announced by Republican House Energy and Commerce Committee Chairman Billy Tauzin of Louisiana. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: CONGRESS MANDATES DIGITAL ANTI-PIRACY

Meantime, congressional lawmakers have ordered the Federal Communications Commission to mandate technology preventing digital TV signals from being hooked up to the Internet and made vulnerable to piracy. The directive is viewed as a major victory for Hollywood film makers and other copyright owners at a time when the music business is being ravaged by Internet piracy. (Published news reports)

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RADIO LAW: FEDERAL COURT RULES IN RF BRAIN CANCER CASE

A Federal District Court has dismissed an RF related mobile telephone brain cancer suit. According to the C-G-C Communicator, the court ruled that the plaintiffs had not provided any reliable and relevant scientific evidence to prove their case. The complete finding can be found in cyberspace at http://www.mdd.uscourts.gov/Opinions152/Opinions/newman0902.pdf (CGC Communicator)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KA5GLX repeater serving Clear Lake Texas.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO READY FOR HURRICANE LILI

Following quickly in the wake of Hurricane Isidore, a Category 2 storm named Lili made its way across western Cuba and then took aim at the U-S Gulf Coast shoreline. Amateur Radio Newsline's Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, has more from New Orleans:
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According to an ARRL Bulletin, the Hurricane Watch Net and W4EHW at the National Hurricane Center in Miami are again gathering ground-level reports using ham radio for communications into and out of the affected areas.

The Hurricane Watch Net is currently activated on 14.325 MHz with traffic coming in from numerous stations. Meantime W4EHW continues to exchange meteorological data and Spanish advisories with Cuban amateurs. Many of the reports received via ham radio have proven to be valuable to forecasters at the National Hurricane Center.

Right now all eyes are on Lili as she makes her way toward the U-S mainland. On Wednesday October 2nd the FCC declared a communications emergency as Lili approached the Louisiana and Texas shoreline. As we go to air, all hams not directly involved in hurricane related emergency communications are required to avoid using 7.285 MHz daytime and 3.873 MHz from sundown to sun up. These frequencies are protected plus or minus 3 kHz. The FCC declaration will remain in effect until rescinded and could be in effect for as long as two weeks.

Monitoring the storm and ham radio traffic from one of Lili's probable targets near New Orleans, I'm Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, reporting.
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Official advisories on Lili and other tropical storms can be found at the National Hurricane Web site. Its in cyberspace at www.nhc.noaa.gov. Late breaking ham radio operational advisories are at www.arrl.org. (ARRL, others)

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: HURRICANE LILI CAUSES SHUTTLE LAUNCH DELAY

And a potential threat from Hurricane Lili to the Mission Control Center at Johnson Space Center in Houston has forced a delay in the launch of the STS-112 shuttle mission. Atlantis and its six member crew are now slated to lift off no earlier than 1800 to 2200 GMT on Monday October 7th. Once on-orbit, Atlantis will deliver the S-1 Truss to the International Space Station. The crew will perform three spacewalks at the station and will transfer supplies and equipment between the two vehicles. (NASA)

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RESCUE RADIO: VK HAMS THERE AS PHONES GO OUT

Amateur Radio has come to the rescue after the town of Bindoon in Western Australia was isolated by communications failure.

For reasons yet to be explained, the failure of the phone system on Sunday September 22nd was total. Both mobile and fixed services went dead. No calls were possible.

A ham radio knight in shining armor in the form of VK6HGM rode to the rescue. Actually he drove to a hilltop and used the Roleystone repeater on 146.700 MHz in the hills above the city of Perth to report the telephone outage. This of itself is quite a feat, as both Bindoon and Roleystone are in the Darling Mountain Range and are out of line-of-sight from one another.

Be that as it may, the call for assistance was answered by VK6AX. He had telephone service and used it to alert the authorities and brought about a happy end to the story. Within half an hour, all telephone services in Bindoon were back on line.

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ENFORCEMENT: NET UNDER FCC SCRUTINY

Turning to news from the FCC, word that the agency is taking a close look at a 20 meter net and its control operator. The FCC's Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, explains:

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"The Enforcement Bureau has opened an inquirey into the Mobile Emergency and County Hunters Net operating on 14.336 Mhz. We have requested that James Grandinetti, who uses the call signs KZ2P and K2JG to respond to seven complaints about the operation of the net. The Enforcement Bureau also requested documentation supporting the club call sign of K2JG which is assigned to the Atlantic Amateur Association."
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The FCC's letter to Grandinetti alleges that he harassed certain operators and banned other hams from using 14.336 MHz while he was operating as a net control station. The letter told Grandinetti that the frequency 14.336 MHz is a shared amateur frequency. As such, the operation of a net on that frequency conveys no greater rights regarding its use by Grandinetti than any other licensed radio amateur. Grandinetti was given the customary 30 days to reply.

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ENFORCEMENT: PRIVILEGES REINSTATED

And still in the enforcement arena, some good news for a Martinsville Virginia ham. Again, the FCC's Daryl Duckworth, N-N-Zero-W:
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"We notified Theodore Crutchfield, K4TFC, that since he has taken and passed an Element 1 code test as requested, his license remains Extra class and that he is in good standing."
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By way of background, back on December 20, 2001, the FCC had notified Crutchfield that it was requiring him to re-take Amateur Element 1 under the supervision of the W4VEC Volunteer Examination Coordinator. This, on or before February 15th of this year. Crutchfield appeared for the exam session but did

not pass. As a result, he was notified on July 16th that the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau would downgrade his license from Extra to Technician Class. A few days later on July 21st, Crutchfield successfully completed an Element I examination in Roanoke, Virginia. Now, as Daryl Duckworth put it, Crutchfield remains Extra Class and his license is in good standing with the FCC.

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RADIO ACCIDENTS: HAM INJURED IN TOWER ACCIDENT

A Michigan ham has been seriously hurt in a tower fall. According to an Internet report from Allen Stap, N8OKU , the accident involved the removal of a 160 foot tower.

Stap says that the top 120 feet was removed without incident. Daylight ran out so removal of the remaining 40 feet was deferred to the following morning. On inspection, the last 40 feet appeared to be safe and the removal work began. But the base of the tower broke apart and the tower fell with the ham on board. It landed on a polebarn with the ham crushed between the tower and the roof.

The accident happened near the town of Lawton. The ham involved was not identified by full name or call sign but was described as a long time and experienced tower climber. His injuries included a broken jaw, two broken arms and a broken leg. The good news is that he is expected to make a full recovery after extensive rehabilitation.

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RADIO ACCIDENTS: NEBRASKA TOWER COLLAPSE KILLS TWO

And a 1,965-foot television tower collapsed Tuesday September 24th in a western Nebraska field. Two workers were killed and three others were injured.

The tower was located near the town of Hemingford. A spokesman for its owner, Duhamel Broadcasting Enterprises of Rapid City, South Dakota, said two of the workers were repairing the roof of the near-by transmission building. The others were strengthening the tower so it could be equipped with high-definition television antennas.

The structure was built in the late 1960’s and was used to transmit the signal for Scottsbluff television station KDUH throughout most of the states panhandle area. It and was the tallest structure in Nebraska, and was some 500 feet taller than the Sears Tower in Chicago and 700 feet higher than the Empire State Building in New York. The cause of its collapse is not yet known. (K0NEB)

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OPERATING EVENTS: ARRL DEVELOPING JOTA DATABASE

Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS, of the ARRL Field and Educational Services Department writes to say that the League has set up a first ever scouting Jamboree On The Air event database. It comes as the result of requests to Jean from scouting

groups looking for hams who plan to offer their services to the event. You can register your JOTA event by taking your browser to the rather complex U-R-L you will find on the web at http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jota.html. T his years Jamboree On The Air takes place October 19th and 20th, local time. (ARRL)

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OPERATING EVENTS: SHIPS ON THE AIR

The USS Cassin Young, a museum ship in Boston on a turn around cruise will operate an Amateur Radio station from her radio room during the voyage on Saturday, October 12th. Operators will pass commemorative US Naval style messages between that ship and the USS Salem. The Salem is another museum ship berthed in Quincy Massachusetts. Operation will be on 20 and 40 meters. For a commemorative certificate send an SASE and a copy of the message you hear to Bob Callahan, W1QWT, 56 Acorn Street, Scituate, Massachusetts 02166. And less we forget, of the two ships involved the USS Cassin Young is a Destroyer and the USS Salem is a heavy cruiser. (W1QWT)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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WITH THE HAHDI-HAMS: FCC TVI BOOK NOW AVAILABLE

Handi Ham members listen up. The FCC's TVI book has been added as a zipped file in the downloads section of the Handi-Ham members only website. Handi Ham members can also contact headquarters for a free floppy disk version of the book. More information is at www.handiham.org. (Handi Hams)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: THE SCIENCE REPORT

Two interesting items from this weeks science page. Here are Jim Damron, N8TMW and Jeff Clark, K8JAC.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: TECHNO-JUNK PILING UP

A new study called Waste in the Wireless World: The Challenge of Cell Phones says that 130 million wireless devices will be discarded annually in the United States. This equals 65,000 tons of two-way radio garbage.

The study makes several recommendations regarding both the design of cell phones and the disposal of them. It says that the use of toxic substances in them be reduced. It also suggests that device standardization be implemented so users are not forced to purchase new phones when they change service providers or for travel. Finally, the study says that cellular telephones should be

designed for disassembly, reuse and recycling.

It should be noted that the study was limited to cellular phones and other two way radio devices. It does not include the tons of VCR’s and TV sets that are disposed of each year. (Supplied by several ARNewsline(tm) listeners)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: BARCODES CAN SAVE LIVES

You know those bar codes that grocery workers scan to let you know how much your cereal costs? Well, hospitals are now using the same technology to help save lives, thanks to a computerized medication system. A nurse scans the bar code on a patient's I-D bracelet, along with a bar code found on the medication itself before administering the drug. This enables the computer to verifies and checks the bar codes to make sure the patient is getting the correct medication. A green signal tells the nurse it's okay to precede. An error warning, and red signal, alerts the nurse if something's not right.

To date, only about two percent of the nation's medical facilities use bar code technology to verify medication administration, but that number is expected to rise. Statistics show the system prevents anywhere from 84 to 264 potential errors a week at one hospital alone. (Science Today)
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More emerging technology news, next week.

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SPACE AND SCIENCE: JAPAN DELAY COMPLETION OF ISS MODULE

Completion of the international space station hit another snag. This as Japan's cash-strapped space program announces that it would delay launch of the bus-sized research module it is building for the project.

The research capsule called Kibo is the only part of the space station developed and run by an Asian country. It was scheduled for launch sometime in 2004. Liftoff of that module is now planned for April 2005 at the earliest. (Published reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - GERMANY: DDH47 CELEBRATES 50 YEARS OF SERVICE
November 8th and 9th will see a special station on the air from Pinneberg Germany. This as Weather Service's station DDH47 will be operating crossband on 147 kHz and listening on 80, 40 and 20 meters CW to celebrate its 50th anniversary of the service. Slow speed Morse transmissions to North America are also planned. (G4NJH)

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INTERNATIONAL: FIRST UK TO VE CONTACT

Sunday, September 22nd marked the 84th anniversary of the first radio message from the United Kingdom being received in Australia. On the 22nd of September

1918, a message of goodwill was sent in Morse code from the Marconi station located near Caernarfon. The callsign was M-U-U, and the 200-kilowatt transmitter was on 21 kHz, a wavelength of 14,300 meters. The signal was received at
Wahroonga near Sydney by Sir Ernest Fisk, an Englishman who had served under Marconi in England. The message of goodwill was published the following day on the front pages of the Australian morning newspapers. (GB2RS)

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DX

In DX, word of the first 6 Meter contact from Afghanistan. Nick Peckett, G4KUX, writes that he made what he says is the first-ever contact on 6 metes from Kabul at 15:15 UTC on Tuesday
the 24th of September. Peckett, operating as YA4F, contacted YF1OO in Indonesia. G4KUX says that he hopes to be able to give many others their first opportunity to contact Afghanistan on 6 meters over the next few weeks. (GB2RS)

And lower in frequency, TM4ENN is a special event station in France to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the creation of the 'Normandy Niemen' air flotilla by General de Gaulle. It will be active on 40, 20, 15 and 10 meters internationally. QSL direct with an stamped and self addressed envelope to F6BZH, or via the bureau. (GB2RS)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: BY-BY BETAMAX

And finally this week, a legend is being put to rest. After twenty-seven years in production Sony Corporation says that it will finally put its famed Betamax tape format to bed forever. Our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, takes a nostalgic look back:

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Its said that Betamax opened the world of home video as the first practical consumer format. Sony, J-V-C and Panasonic first tried with the famed 3/4 inch U-Matic machines, but consumers were reluctant to buy a videotape machine that was bigger than most T-V sets of that era and looked more at home in a television station than their livingroom.

My own first home VCR was a Sony SL-7200 Betamax. It would record a whole hour of pretty high quality video and audio on a tape cassette that was only 3 1/2 by 6 inches in size. I paid almost $2000 for the machine and each cassette cost me close to $25. That was in the late 1970’s and despite loosing the 1980’s video format war to VHS, Betamax held on as a niche product all these years.

Now, according to Larry Bloomfield’s Tech Notes news service, Betamax for consumer use is being phased out. This is because of the new consumer digital tape formats like Mini D V that are literally delivering a death blow to Betamax’ future prospects.

Sony reportedly will manufacture only 2,000 more Betamax machines before discontinuing the product altogether. But Beta will live on in the world of television journalism. Thats where a spinoff tape format called Betacam with suffixes like S-X and S-P became the defacto news gathering videotape of choice and have remained so for the past decade and a half.

With an SL 7200 Betamax still sitting someplace out in the garage -- gathering dust -- I’m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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And you thought that the Betamax died a quiet death many years ago!
(Tech-Notes, ARNewsline™)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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1432. Re: Help finding SoCal linked repeater system.. Please advise!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-07 01:25:12 UTC
From: radiomaker@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021006212512.06800.00012516@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 3617

Obviously you are a new ham. Private repeaters are just that -- PRIVATE. If we want new users, we seek you out. Not the other way around.

1433. QRM ? No more QRM !?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-07 17:22:54 UTC
From: lombryt@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <db35a0c.0210070922.31546107@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3618

Hi,

Using a 35m longwire (sloper), a mix of indoor/oudoors antenna, I experiment much QRM in my LX appartment, S5-7 or even above S9 on all HF bands.
I did several "measurements" using my TS570D RTX in a (trans)portable configuration - it is rather heavy with a mini dry battery but that works fine, Hi, - and I discovered what I suspected : the QRM I am experimenting is well located one floor up (generated by a air conditionner probably) and vanishes a few meters from the home.

As suggested a UK OM, I experiment well QRM not QRN, hopefully in a way.

Now what to do ? How can I suppress it from my radio ? How can I determine if they are direct waves, omnidirectional waves, or something else in order to know my "ennemy" ? Is there a way to determine that ?

NB. Correct me if necessary, but if this QRM is directional I could suppress it using devices like MFJ noise canceler and similar products that cancel QRM in phase opposition (using a second antenna as reference).
But if the QRM is omnidirectional there is no solution excepting moving away from the source.

Now that I know where does the QRM come from, in both cases is a dipole cut on specific bands be of some use to reduce such QRM in place of my longwire that capture all noises (if I well understood a multiband dipole catches less QRM than a vertical and of course than a longwire, so I hope such antenna could help me in solving my problem if I place it outside, in the opposite corner from the source noise, about 25m away) ? I think it is an utopic solution, do you confirm... (:-(()

What's your advice : the MFJ, a dipole, give up and go away from the QRM source... (a good idea to work during field days ! I pleasant but this is very frustrated)

Thanks for comments

73
Thierry
http://www.astrosurf.com/lombry/menu-qsl.htm
Sorry but the same thread was published on rec.radio.amateur.misc too by mistake.

1434. Kenwood TS-680S HF+6 Meters 4SALE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-07 19:42:04 UTC
From: Tony <n5gpi@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <gslo9.1081$xU2.170@newssvr19.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3619

Have a Kenwood TS-680S in excellent cond. w/mic + power cord for sale. Great rig, wide general coverage plus 6 meters. Want $525.00 for it plus shipping from 78258.

N5GPI

1435. Re: Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-07 20:55:02 UTC
From: Alvin Negron-Paez <espia@cox.net>
Message-ID: <Gwmo9.43972$1k5.1482810@news1.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3620

"Burt" <k1oik@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:BIDh9.128015$Jo.36149@rwcrnsc53...
> One day a man, who had been stranded on a desert island for over ten years
> sees an unusual speck on the horizon.

So, someone adapted this joke to the ham world.... go figures...

1436. Re: Help finding SoCal linked repeater system.. Please advise!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-08 16:29:14 UTC
From: steve@waits.net
Message-ID: <f327e120.0210080829.7ae66950@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3621

radiomaker@aol.com (Radiomaker) wrote in message
news:<20021006212512.06800.00012516@mb-mv.aol.com>...
> Obviously you are a new ham. Private repeaters are just that -- PRIVATE. If we
> want new users, we seek you out. Not the other way around.

Yes, I'm a new ham, as I stated in my post. Appreciate your comments.
I have found several systems with membership open to all. Enjoy your
private system.

With such attitude, who'd want to join your group anyway?

--Steve

1437. Re: Help finding SoCal linked repeater system.. Please advise!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-08 19:17:04 UTC
From: Paul N3EOP <n3eop@arrl.or.callsign.net>
Message-ID: <Xns92A17CF71C6B8n3eophotmailcom@64.164.98.6>
Source record: 3622

radiomaker@aol.com (Radiomaker) wrote in
news:20021006212512.06800.00012516@mb-mv.aol.com:

> Obviously you are a new ham. Private repeaters are just that --
> PRIVATE. If we want new users, we seek you out. Not the other way
> around.

Private repeaters, in the context you mentioned, have NO place in the ham bands. If you need that kind of control, go get licensed in the GMRS band and put a repeater there.

What he was obviously looking for is a system that is run by a local club, and open only to club members. Probably a little used one where he can keep an HT on in case he's called, and not have to listen to chatter on end.

1438. Re: Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-10 04:06:09 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021010000609.20940.00000523@mb-mn.aol.com>
Source record: 3623

>> One day a man, who had been stranded on a desert island for over ten years
>> sees an unusual speck on the horizon.
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>So, someone adapted this joke to the ham world.... go figures...

You have to admit, the state of Ham Radio is pretty bad. Hams tend to be the people that have nothing better in their life. They tend to make (radio) contacts, when others are socializing. They tend to be overweight, and mostly male group. At the club closest to me, it is held at the Senior Center, and coincidentally >80% of the members are old.

The average non-Ham does not respect Hams. Ocasionally I have mentioned Ham Radio in conversations, and have tried to get some interest by non Hams to Ham Radio or to justify belonging to one. Most Hams do not know this, they feel the average non-Ham thinks "Hams" are CBers. Hams do not see that the public does not see them as Cbers, just plain weird. A non-Ham asked me if Hamfests are like Star-Trek conventions. Originally I went to a Hamfest with a co-worker who is a Ham. In some Hamfests are like Star-Trek conventions, but I was surprised to hear this perception by a non-Ham.

They are not respected as volunteers, and some Hams seek out volunteer opportunities, rather than being asked to volunteer. The EE Hams I know tend to be the ones that have switched over to software, or happy to not apply their skills, (not the ambitions type).

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1439. Re: Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-10 18:54:17 UTC
From: hikezilla@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <662db5ea.0210101054.ad8d33d@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3624

Ham Radio is what YOU make of it.

vshah101@aol.com (Vshah101) wrote in message
news:<20021010000609.20940.00000523@mb-mn.aol.com>...
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> >> sees an unusual speck on the horizon.
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1440. Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-11 07:30:35 UTC
From: mrguard@iname.com
Message-ID: <v6vp9.46732$kF.7486920@twister.columbus.rr.com>
Source record: 3625
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave

Hello everyone

While looking at the list of Callsign Trustees with 2 or more calls at:
http://www.ah0a.org/FCC/Clubs5.htm
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http://www.artscipub.com/repeaters/showrepeaters.asp

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These clubs that are named after sports heroes, the trustee or
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matter and has taken action.. That has to be applauded.
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membership lists, participated in contests and other social events,
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not viewed as offical due to public misguided pressures.

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Some of the things that need to be done is
1) The clean up of the repeaters and airways of Jammers and

action taken when such offenders have been identified.
(In South Florida a number of offenders have been identified, taped
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but credible folks such as offical observers, ect but nothing has been
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Some of these actions and officals belong back on CB.

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to get into name callings or anything else.

James Keller W8WW
mrguard@earthlink.net

1441. Re: Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-11 07:35:11 UTC
From: gsteve490@aol.comspamknot
Message-ID: <20021011033511.15229.00000371@mb-de.aol.com>
Source record: 3626

>Subject: Re: Ham sex
>From: hikezilla@yahoo.com (Bill)
>Date: 10/10/02 1:54 PM EST
>Message-id: <662db5ea.0210101054.ad8d33d@posting.google.com>
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without keying es telling, I've done well @ the past few FD's I've participated
in. there are more Babes into AR than you might think......
they/she were/was weird, too. and quite bored w/ the wknd pill-pool hoppin'
that goes on the other 51 weekends of the year.

luckey me....."))) es 73

PS> Hint= sked a ISS flyover(better yet- a ISS/STS dock-up(how frueidian), or
an Iridium Flash to make your move.............
Just another Oral Sport, IMHO.

1442. Re: Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-11 12:57:47 UTC
From: Dave Edwards <kd2e@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <cZ6cnaBEqtE6GTugXTWc2Q@News.GigaNews.Com>
Source record: 3627
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave

That sounds worth a look, but there are some weeds growing around my mailbox
that I
need to trim.
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1443. Re: Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-11 19:02:08 UTC
From: "lil' ol' me." <themole@themole.com>
Message-ID: <0u7equ4hp192f1cmqrcpbi0q7c7p7kd7f0@4ax.com>
Source record: 3628
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave

Good Ol' James Keller, starting shit just like yer old man Joe eh?

P.S. did you ever get your 75 meter antenna up? and do you really get
your rocks off calling my cellphone while blocking caller ID?

you know who it is...

1444. Re: Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 01:06:00 UTC
From: Ralph D'Andrea <K0RFD@gjbiz.com>
Message-ID: <1104_1034384792@netnews.attbi.com>
Source record: 3629

On 10 Oct 2002 04:06:09 GMT, vshah101@aol.com (Vshah101) wrote:
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>
> You have to admit, the state of Ham Radio is pretty bad. Hams tend to be the
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> contacts, when others are socializing. They tend to be overweight, and mostly
> male group. At the club closest to me, it is held at the Senior Center, and
> coincidentally >80% of the members are old.

Nice troll. You know what? I decided to study for my ticket because it was something I WANTED to
do my whole life. In my last several decades, I've found a wonderful woman, raised two daughters to
adulthood, published several dozen scientific papers, all of which gave me great satisfaction. But
even getting my no-code gave me plenty of satisfaction. Does that mean I have no life? I don't
think so. I think it just means I'm motivated. Motivated enough to not sit still with that license, but you have to start somewhere.

I am MALE, but not particularly overweight. I socialize outside of radio. I don't belong to a
senior center because I'm not old enough. I guess that means I'm the 20% exception that proves your
rule?

I don't really know what your issues or agenda are, but I think that your stereotypes are not only
sad, but just plain WRONG.

Then again, getting a response like mine gave you a little bit of attention, which I suppose is why
people like you troll in the first place.

1445. searching CW.wav files

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 11:16:13 UTC
From: lombryt@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <db35a0c.0210120316.6696a7c6@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3630

Hi,

In order to demonstrate to newbies what can be a message sent in morse code, I am (desperately) searching waves files of CW sounds, and specially "words" like
"73 de ON4LDU" or full custom sentences at low to medium speeds (5 to 20 words/min).

Can someone provide me such files or give me some idea on how to record such files ?
NB. software like supermorse can do that reading external .txt files but it cannot save the file as .wav.

My only alternative is to place my digital camera nearby my RTX speaker and recording on the air but the .wav file is attached to a mpeg that I cannot remove.

Thanks in advance

Thierry
ONL5183
http://www.astrosurf.com/lombry/menu-qsl.htm
http://www.qsl.net/on4ldu/index.html

1446. Re: searching CW.wav files

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 12:21:59 UTC
From: KH <zzzz@aaa.net>
Message-ID: <HtUp9.3256$HV.1152969817@newssvr10.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3631

Thierry:

Have you tried using a microphone on the sound card to record off the air or from a code practice oscillator?

Take a look at the scanner recorder freeware at http://www.davee.com/scanrec/index.html It outputs to a .WAV file. All you need to do is provide an input-microphone, on the air, etc.

73,

Ken

1447. Antenna MADE for AO-40 !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 13:28:13 UTC
From: G Rollins <address@mysite.com>
Message-ID: <5r8gquk2dkkf94pg5312bjs3n74adbtqft@4ax.com>
Source record: 3632

[No readable article body recovered]

1448. Re: searching CW.wav files

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 16:52:29 UTC
From: Artie DeCoe <Artie@dcoe.net>
Message-ID: <Pi6dndXXC4n7zjWgXTWcow@News.GigaNews.Com>
Source record: 3633

I suggest downloading one of the many free Morse teaching programs. You can usually set them to play text files, so you can demonstrate whatever you want, without the trouble of recording.

"Thierry" <lombryt@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:db35a0c.0210120316.6696a7c6@posting.google.com...
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1449. Re: searching CW.wav files

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 19:48:36 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3DA87C94.7F5A87F4@rac.ca>
Source record: 3634

Hi Thierry
NU Morse will input text and save as a wave file.
This may be what you are looking for.

http://www.nu-ware.com/

73
Peter VA3PKH
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1450. Need help finding twist-lock multisection 32mF 32 mF @ 500V can capacitor for EICO unit.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 20:20:05 UTC
From: NO_SPAM_pvnews1@nekophile.com
Message-ID: <2e3fc542.0210121220.7972cfe2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3635
Cross-posted to: rec.audio.marketplace,rec.audio.misc,rec.radio.amateur

see title - says it all.

1451. Re: Need help finding twist-lock multisection 32mF 32 mF @ 500V can capacitor for EICO unit.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-12 21:04:47 UTC
From: "Mark D. Zacharias" <mzacharias@_null_cox.net>
Message-ID: <P70q9.28300$XF.835@news1.central.cox.net>
Source record: 3636
Cross-posted to: rec.audio.marketplace,rec.audio.misc,rec.radio.amateur

http://www.tubesandmore.com/

Antique Electronic Supply would probably have something you could use.

mz

****
Remove _null_ to reply
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news:2e3fc542.0210121220.7972cfe2@posting.google.com...
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1452. How many errors can you find??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-13 01:20:35 UTC
From: Stephen Pike <spikey911usa@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <So2cnaPABuvZVzWgXTWcpQ@News.GigaNews.Com>
Source record: 3637

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1387674303

1453. Re: How many errors can you find??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-13 01:24:20 UTC
From: Artie DeCoe <Artie@dcoe.net>
Message-ID: <WOOdnV1nwe1gGTWgXTWc2Q@News.GigaNews.Com>
Source record: 3638

Owe hes just nut a god tiper yu, be nice t oo him iTs late Im gone too bid. ;-)

"Stephen Pike" <spikey911usa@yahoo.com> wrote in message news:So2cnaPABuvZVzWgXTWcpQ@News.GigaNews.Com...
> http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1387674303
>
>

1454. FS/T TEN-TEC 705 MICROPHONE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-13 01:51:34 UTC
From: ni4l@msn.com
Message-ID: <d4a0748e.0210121751.5a7f7188@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3639
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

FS/T TEN-TEC 705 MICROPHONE

I have a like new Ten-Tec 705 mic has a 2 tone SSB Pulser to tune your amp installed. Does not have the Goofy Beer Can foam head I put a Brand new Black Round Bullet style foam Ball on the head. I hate Those Grey beer can foam heads!. I think i still have it here if you want it though.
I put a Brand new 12 foot Heavy Duty Motorola High Way Patrol type Coiled cord on it Also. So you can move around in the shack. It is currently wired for a Kenwood TS-930.
I would like to eithier sell it or trade it for maybe a Kenwood mic or a Shure 526T. Or sell out right for 80.00 + shipping. paypal check etc.

1455. FS: YAESU FT-920 NIB

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-13 03:29:59 UTC
From: RalphE <k4ffa@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <yOycnfzWtvAmdTWgXTWcoA@News.GigaNews.Com>
Source record: 3640

FOR SALE: Brand new in the box YAESU FT-920 complete, about 4 months old. I bought it as a back -up rig, but I never took it out out of the box.

Price: $850 plus shipping and insurance.

Tel. # 615-799-9161

Phillip KB4I

1456. Re: searching CW.wav files

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-13 12:14:27 UTC
From: lombryt@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <db35a0c.0210130414.38dc3e87@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3641

lombryt@hotmail.com (Thierry) wrote in message
news:<db35a0c.0210120316.6696a7c6@posting.google.com>...
> Hi,
>
> In order to demonstrate to newbies what can be a message sent in morse
> code, I am (desperately) searching waves files of CW sounds, and
> specially "words" like
> "73 de ON4LDU" or full custom sentences at low to medium speeds (5 to
> 20 words/min).
>
>...

Thanks to all.
It seems there is also another program to download :
http://www.qsl.net/kt4av/winmorse/

I will check all that.

Thierry

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> Thierry
> ONL5183
> http://www.astrosurf.com/lombry/menu-qsl.htm
> http://www.qsl.net/on4ldu/index.html

1457. Re: Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-14 00:22:25 UTC
From: brianburke@juno.com
Message-ID: <f45722ac.0210131622.6d5a3bef@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3642
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave

lil' ol' me. <themole@themole.com> wrote in message
news:<0u7equ4hp192f1cmqrcpbi0q7c7p7kd7f0@4ax.com>...
> Good Ol' James Keller, starting shit just like yer old man Joe eh?
>
> P.S. did you ever get your 75 meter antenna up? and do you really get
> your rocks off calling my cellphone while blocking caller ID?
>
> you know who it is...

Go away.

1458. WTB: NON-working scanner for PARTS.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-15 01:40:18 UTC
From: klarrg@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021014214018.00293.00000154@mb-fj.aol.com>
Source record: 3643

WANTED TO BUY...A NON-working older ELECTRA/Bearcat base scanner, model BC-20/20 (preferred) OR an older NON-working Electra/Bearcat BC-220 base scanner FOR PARTS. Need the FACEPLATE to replace broken one on mine that the USPS "killed" with a FORKLIFT!!! Will buy either JUST the faceplate OR the entire NON-WORKING scanner for parts but....the faceplate MUST be complete, intact, not cracked or broken, and in VERY good to EXCELLENT condition (no deep gouges, scratches, etc., but OK for faded silver paint around edges...)as it is THE part I'm seeking. Will pay decent price for the right one. IF POSSIBLE, pic of your unit would be MUCH appreciated WITH your Email reply. Please remember I want to REUSE the faceplate so it MUST be restorable, VERY intact, AND USEABLE !!I will answer ALL replies. Also have some vintage scanner parts for trade/barter to "sweeten" the deal as well IF DESIRED...LMK your needs.Otherwise, will buy radio or faceplate only outrite from you.

THANKS IN ADVANCE to all who reply. (<:

1459. FA: BIRD 43 WATTMETER W/ ELEMENT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-15 14:44:26 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <6eaoqusp0jpgjeetu4o9aos6qnm6eu8qmt@4ax.com>
Source record: 3644

FA: BIRD 43 WATTMETER W/ ELEMENT
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1387022656&rd=1

1460. BEWARE!!..Doug Calladonato.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-15 23:56:57 UTC
From: klarrg@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021015195657.19555.00000128@mb-fs.aol.com>
Source record: 3645

..Be aware that a gent by the name of Doug Calladonato (njscanner@comcast.net)is selling several scanners (approx. 21 of them..) and, is willfully and maliciously misrepresenting the condition of these units to obtain a sale on them.He sold me two that he represented as in "excellent working order" and, that he "tested himself before sending them to me" that are BOTH totally non-working, useless units. I am out a SUBSTANTIAL SUM OF $$$ and he denies they were non-working at time of sale.Mr. Calladonato outright lied and denied several Emails he initially sent me that represented theses radios I got from him as TOTALLY WORKING UNITS...he says one thing IN PRINT in the original Emails then DENIES IT in the later ones..even tho' I have it IN PRINT IN MY FILES FROM HIM !! (???!!)

Upon opening the units, they were filled with poor-quality solder (attempted) repairs and had obviously been tampered with prior to the sale. The one unit has a squelch that will not close, and the unit wont even scan. The second one has such poor reception as to make it useless. If both units HAD been tested as seller stated, these problems would have been painfully obvious.
I have contacted this gent asking him for a refund and he ignores my efforts entirely. I am posting this to advise any potential customers of this seller to AVOID doing business with him Currently, I am in the process of legal action againt this crook.His actions are obviously dishonest in nature and I have adequate proof in the form of Emails from him and, two DOA radios to prove it.

Buyers beware AVOID THIS CLOWN !!.Dont get SCREWED like I did by this jerk !)<:

1461. Hi, I am looking for some help/ feedback

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-16 07:04:45 UTC
From: j-winters <j-winters@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <hc8r9.60939$rz6.11023@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3646

HI I know that I am opening a big can of worms, but I am trying to do research and I am not having any luck. I am looking for my first rig. I live in an apartment and an outdoor antenna is going to be a big problem. There are strict rules here about them and even my satellite dish is in direct violation of them. I was thinking about getting a HTX-420 for a handheld and something like a HTX-252 for a base/mobile unit. I don't want much power because I am not going to be able to use it anyway. Any suggestions or feed back on these two radios would be great thank you.

1462. Re: Hi, I am looking for some help/ feedback

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-16 10:43:23 UTC
From: "Thomas C. Gerlach" <dev@null.com>
Message-ID: <fpbr9.6210$7b.4899@nwrddc03.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3647

"j-winters" <j-winters@attbi.com> wrote:
> HI I know that I am opening a big can of worms, but I am trying to do
> research and I am not having any luck. I am looking for my first rig. I
> live in an apartment and an outdoor antenna is going to be a big problem.
> There are strict rules here about them and even my satellite dish is in
> direct violation of them.

I have a similar situation, so I placed a mobile mount antenna for 2 meters and 10 meters in the attic. The difficult thing is to get the SWR down since a vertical antenna wants a ground plane. I got around this by placing the antenna on an old computer case. I have no problems hitting every repeater in my county, and all the surounding counties with this setup.

>I was thinking about getting a HTX-420 for a
> handheld and something like a HTX-252 for a base/mobile unit. I don't
want
> much power because I am not going to be able to use it anyway. Any
> suggestions or feed back on these two radios would be great thank you.

I have no experience with the HTX-420, so I can't comment there. But I did have 2 HTX-252's both of which had to be returned because they were faulty. My recommendation would be to get a Yaesu FT-1500M. It is about $20 cheaper, has twice the power output, a TNC port, over 10 times as many memory channels, and many more features.

Hope this helps

Thomas C. Gerlach
KB3ING
CCNA, Network+, A+

1463. FA: PAIR OF MOTOROLA UHF P-100 (HT-50) PORTABLES W/ ACCESSORIES

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-16 16:23:54 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <jk4rqukedl3plgur63arej1q99gp4kt67v@4ax.com>
Source record: 3648

FA: PAIR OF MOTOROLA UHF P-100 (HT-50) PORTABLES W/ ACCESSORIES
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1390350455

1464. FS: Mint MFJ-9406 SSG transceiver and more

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-17 00:07:26 UTC
From: n2rll@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021016200726.10596.00002329@mb-mp.aol.com>
Source record: 3649

FS: MFJ-9406 6-meter SSB QRP transceiver, new, unused with manual and mike in mint condition. $175.
Also an Astron switching power supply - model SS-30M - with dual meters, also in mint condition. $100
If you're in NJ area I have an assembled MFJ-1796 halfwave vertical antenna, bottom bracket cracked but can be easily repaired. Antenna works but I've changed to a G5RV antenna.
Power supply or 9406 rig shipped three-day priority mail for postal money order only. Thank you,
Harold, N2RLL

1465. Manual TR 2600 A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-17 00:54:21 UTC
From: w7zca@webtv.net
Message-ID: <17852-3DAE0A3D-140@storefull-2152.public.lawson.webtv.net>
Source record: 3500

I am in need of a manual for my Kenwood
hand held. If you can help me I would really appreciate it.
Thank you, Paul W7ZCA

1466. FA: (ENDS THURS OCT 17) BIRD 43 WATTMETER W/ ELEMENT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-17 12:48:49 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <9dctquksi7e6e98577p911ffc2en0mdjcu@4ax.com>
Source record: 3501

FA: BIRD 43 WATTMETER W/ ELEMENT
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1387022656&rd=1

1467. Manual for Yaesu FT-840

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-17 20:36:49 UTC
From: OZ1BV <"oz1bv oz1bv.dk">
Message-ID: <3daf1f61$0$3357$edfadb0f@dspool01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 3502
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

Dr. OM's

Is there anybody out there who are able to mail me a manual for a Yaesu
FT-840 ?
If so, i will be VERY happy :-) I need to figure out how to use the
connections on the backside for JOTA the coming weekend.
The format (PDF ect.) is not important.

Please respond to oz1bv(at)oz1bv.dk - replace (at) with @

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Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian
www.oz1bv.dk
www.oz1bv.dk/byttesiden (swap / sale page)

1468. Power Supply Fan Noise

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-18 00:09:59 UTC
From: splanky <splanky@splancus.net>
Message-ID: <rjlr9.81996$NW3.20132@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3503

I bought a linear power supply, the MFJ-4035MV, but the fan noise is just plain loud. Although it runs cool as a cucumber, the fan is three times as loud as the transceiver.

Does anyone have the Astron RS-35A power supply, or other in the 40-35 amp range? Is the fan loud?

Any suggestions for a conventional power supply in the 30-40 amp region where the fan noise won't offend the wife?

John

1469. Re: Power Supply Fan Noise

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-18 10:58:48 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <IPRr9.89000$rz6.19211@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3504

I have 3 Astrons. No fans in them at all. I would suggest moving the power supply under the bench, or to another location, if possible.

"splanky" <splanky@splancus.net> wrote in message news:rjIr9.81996$NW3.20132@sccrnsc03...
> I bought a linear power supply, the MFJ-4035MV, but the fan noise is just
> plain loud. Although it runs cool as a cucumber, the fan is three times as
> loud as the transceiver.
>
> Does anyone have the Astron RS-35A power supply, or other in the 40-35 amp
> range? Is the fan loud?
>
> Any suggestions for a conventional power supply in the 30-40 amp region
> where the fan noise won't offend the wife?
>
> John
>
>

1470. Re: Manual for Yaesu FT-840

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-18 13:39:01 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3DB00EF5.2218B58F@rac.ca>
Source record: 3505

Hi Brian
I have a manual, but no way to scan it.
What info do you need about the rear connectors ?
Peter
VA3PKH

OZ1BV wrote:

> Dr. OM's
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> Is there anybody out there who are able to mail me a manual for a Yaesu
> FT-840 ?
> If so, i will be VERY happy :-) I need to figure out how to use the
> connections on the backside for JOTA the coming weekend.
> The format (PDF ect.) is not important.
>
> Please respond to oz1bv(at)oz1bv.dk - replace (at) with @
>
> --
>
> Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian
> www.oz1bv.dk
> www.oz1bv.dk/byttesiden (swap / sale page)

1471. Re: Manual for Yaesu FT-840

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-18 13:39:37 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3DB00F19.EE78A3D3@rac.ca>
Source record: 3506

Hi Brian
I have a manual, but no way to scan it.
What info do you need about the rear connectors ?
Peter
VA3PKH

OZ1BV wrote:

> Dr. OM's
>
> Is there anybody out there who are able to mail me a manual for a Yaesu
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> If so, i will be VERY happy :-) I need to figure out how to use the
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>
> --
>
> Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian
> www.oz1bv.dk
> www.oz1bv.dk/byttesiden (swap / sale page)

1472. Manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-18 15:14:30 UTC
From: Hans Otto Nielsen <hogit@nielsen.tdcadsl.dk>
Message-ID: <Usenet.tstglgqm@localhost>
Source record: 3507

Hallo there

I am looking for a manual for the Trio CO-1303A Oscilloscope.

Please help

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73 gs de OZ2HNS / Hans Otto
hogit@nielsen.tdcadsl.dk
http://oz2hns.qrz.dk/
Medl. af EDR,ARRL og DARC

1473. Re: Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-18 22:31:18 UTC
From: Pappy@USA.net
Message-ID: <3DB08BB6.66689424@USA.net>
Source record: 3508
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave

Take that personnel crap elsewhere, this is about RADIOS.

"lil' lo' me." wrote:

> Good Ol' James Keller, starting shit just like yer old man Joe eh?
>
> P.S. did you ever get your 75 meter antenna up? and do you really get
> your rocks off calling my cellphone while blocking caller ID?
>
> you know who it is...

1474. Need Bearcat Scanner Faceplate.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 03:24:17 UTC
From: klarrg@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021018232417.18755.00000160@mb-me.aol.com>
Source record: 3509

Need FACEPLATE in good to excellent condition for older BC-20/20 Bearcat (Electra) Base Scanner. Please be SURE this is the model you have BEFORE Emailing me . Will answer all replies and pay decent price for the right one. Would appreciate pic with Email IF POSSIBLE...will buy entire NON-WORKING scanner if need be for FAIR price, but really only need faceplate.THANKS IN ADVANCE ! (<:

1475. MOTOROLA SYNTOR X-9000 PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 03:51:52 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <hml1rukmff0esjldm02fgjulbm10tvvuma@4ax.com>
Source record: 3510

MOTOROLA SYNTOR X-9000 PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n 0180353a75, mates to SYNTOR X-9000 radio drawer unit (goes in series with control cable) and DB25 connector. Like new. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1476. MOTOROLA SABER PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 03:55:50 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ttl1ru8pnpf7ovp5j0rqfvij4r7l4blr7p@4ax.com>
Source record: 3511

MOTOROLA SABER PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n RTK4203A, mates to side port on SABERT portable, DB25 connector, and also has BNC connector and round 12 pin connector for metering test set. Includes data sheet with wiring diragram and parts list. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1477. Re: Power Supply Fan Noise

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 03:59:09 UTC
From: Paul N3EOP <n3eop@arrl.or.callsign.net>
Message-ID: <Xns92ABD57AC21B5n3eophotmailcom@64.164.98.6>
Source record: 3512

"splanky" wrote:

> Does anyone have the Astron RS-35A power supply, or other in the
> 40-35 amp range? Is the fan loud?
>
> Any suggestions for a conventional power supply in the 30-40 amp
> region where the fan noise won't offend the wife?

I have the Astron VS-35M. No fan at all. I find the variable voltage and current limiting features useful from time to time. I definitely recommend getting the RS-35M (same as the RS-35A, but with voltage and current meters). The meters are well worth the few extra dollars.

1478. MOTOROLA HT600/MT1000 PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 03:59:33 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <05m1ruc60o93orjif40ctjpe2nv41cte95@4ax.com>
Source record: 3513

MOTOROLA HT600/MT1000 PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n NTN4815B, mates to side port on HT600 and MT1000 portable, DB25 connector, and also has round 12 pin connector for metering test set. DB25 conector has toggle switch for "normal" and CVC" (convertacom). New. $55 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1479. MOTOROLA HT600/MT1000 CLONING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:21:11 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <hdn1rucbibcu6fmnbfmo73enc56l776kbt@4ax.com>
Source record: 3514

MOTOROLA HT600/MT1000 CLONING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n NKN6376A, mates to accessory ports on HT600 and MT1000 portables, allows cloning radio personalities from one radio to another. Includes instruction sheet. Like new. $35 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1480. MOTOROLA MAXTRAC PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:24:44 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <6kn1ru4ci382udtenbh7f9058r2mmlm9ut@4ax.com>
Source record: 3515

MOTOROLA MAXTRAC PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n 30-80070n01, mates to MAXTRAC mic
connector and DB25 to RIB. Has junction box which includes BNC
connector for use with test set. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS.
Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1481. MOTOROLA HT50/P100 CLONING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:29:44 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <jtn1rug3csrn5k674grffc3pfo7re26k99@4ax.com>
Source record: 3516

MOTOROLA HT50/P100 CLONING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n RTK4209a, mates to two HT-50 or P-100 portables (replaces batteries) and permits cloning of radio personalities between radios. Also includes fused DC power cable with connector to power supply. Like new. $40 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1482. MOTOROLA MCR100 PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:33:21 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <d4o1rucimsalsqo72tn3nv9eple1tfj5lg@4ax.com>
Source record: 3517

MOTOROLA MCR100 PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n 01-80358A52 mates to DB25 and RJ11 jplug
for programming MCR100 repeater. New. $20 shipped anywhere CONUS.
Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1483. MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:36:57 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <4bo1rukhbo3a6rm17hnfdv1p544fpgdp57@4ax.com>
Source record: 3518

MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n RKN4035A, mates to side port on HT1000, MT2000, MTS2000, DB25 connector, and also has round 12 pin connector for metering test set. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1484. MOTOROLA HT50/P100 PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:41:18 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <9jo1rukk2d0r0qkev01lr4p8ujft5nun7r@4ax.com>
Source record: 3519

MOTOROLA HT50/P100 PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product, mates HT-50 or P-100 portable (replaces battery) to RIB v ia DB25 connector for programming radio personalities. Also includes DC power cable with connector to power supply. Like new. $35 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1485. MOTOROLA VISAR CLONING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:44:14 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <poo1ruoi4f5lmpkf765nmbe392uqbin5cq@4ax.com>
Source record: 3520

MOTOROLA VISAR CLONING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n RKN4043A, mates to accessory ports on VISAR portables, allows cloning radio personalities from one radio to another. New. $45 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1486. MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 CLONING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:48:07 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <10p1rugdtpn3j4b8ms3rv2c8tl3d6id1cf@4ax.com>
Source record: 3521

MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 CLONING CABLE
Original Motorola product, mates to accessory ports on JEDI HT1000, MT2000, MTS2000 portables, allows cloning radio personalities from one radio to another. Like new but has one bent pin on one connector...works, but you have to be careful when you mate the pins and secure the connector. $30 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1487. MOTOROLA VISAR PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 04:50:54 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <85p1rukr937gfq789l18brm2fvbalutmqa@4ax.com>
Source record: 3522

MOTOROLA VISAR PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product, mates to side port on VISAR portable and RIB via DB25 connector, and also has round 12 pin connector for metering test set. New. $60 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1488. MOTOROLA SPECTRA PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 05:16:21 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <vkq1rucnrr7ora0odc5d36ddhecis9dmpv@4ax.com>
Source record: 3523

MOTOROLA SPECTRA PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product, mates to SPECTRA PROGRAMMING connector and DB25 to RIB. Also has fused power cable and speaker cable. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1489. ARNewsline 1313 - Oct 11 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 09:15:52 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021019051552.25399.00003882@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 3524

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1313 – October 11, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1313 with a release date of Friday, October 11th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

A first ever Amateur Radio satellite for New Zealand and hams are honored in the U-S mid-West These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1313 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ZL ANNOUNCES PLANS FOR KIWISAT

Ham radio in space is coming to New Zealand. This, with announcement of a new ham radio satellite to be designed and built down-under. Amateur Radio Newsline's Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, has a close-up look at Kiwi Sat.

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Yes, that's actually its name. Kiwi Sat. And in case you were not aware, the Kiwi is a bird with thick hair-like feathers, no tail, a beak one third the length of its body, and nostrils at the tip. It looks like a cross between a hedgehog and an anteater. And its found only one place in the world. Here in New Zealand. Its our mascot and we love it. And now the hams of Kiwi-land are naming our soon to be built ham satellite after it.

Like the bird that its named after, Kiwi Sat will be a bit unusual in its own right. It will be a rather small ham-sat. A 237 millimeter cube based on the early 1990's Microsat technology developed by AMSAT. But it will carry some 21st century electronics that will enable it to run both as linear translator for low duty cycle modes like sideband and C-W as well as an F-M transponder to serve the needs of the overall ham radio community. This, even though the solar cells can only produce a maximum of 15 watts of available power at any given moment and an average of only 6 watts. Uplinks will be on 70 and 23 centimeters with Kiwi Sat talking back to Earth on 2 meters.

But there's more. Plans also call for Kiwi Sat to carry some sort of scientific experiment and possibly even a digitalker module. This would permit the satellite to identify with its own voice as well as provide some good publicity for the Kiwi Sat project. All of this made possible by the many advances in microchip design that have taken place since the first Microsat was launched.

There is one big difference between a feathered Kiwi and the ham radio satellite the hams down here are building that I should mention. A live Kiwi

cant fly. Kiwi Sat will.

From Auckland, New Zealand -- down-under -- I’m Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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A s we go to air, no completion or launch date has been announced for Kiwi Sat. An excellent article on the project appears in the summer edition of the AMSAT Journal. (AMSAT)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: PC SAT IN ECLIPSE

Meantime users of the P C Sat ham satellite are being requested to please turn off all unattended night time transmissions. This, to conserve energy while the bird is not in direct sunlight and having its batteries charged.

According to Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, P C Sat left full sunlight on Sunday September 30th. The bird is still fully operational but is passing through 25 minute eclipses on every orbit. And because of these eclipses the overall power available on board P C Sat is down. Keeping unattended beacons off while you are not there cuts the load on the satellite power supply significantly.

Bruninga says that with everyone’s cooperation the satellite might be able to make it to full sun again in November. He adds that normal operations are O-K when the satellite is in sunshine and the batteries are on charge. (AMSAT)

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RADIO LAW:: FOLLOW-UP – S.A. ACTS TO PROTECT THE 70 CM BAND

A follow-up to last weeks story on the probable threat to the 70 centimeter band posed by a planned Earth Exploration Satellite Service that’s soon to be launched. As reported last week a discussion paper will be brought before the World Radio Conference next year that directly targets 432 to 438 MHz for exclusive use by the Earth Exploration birds.

The threat is very real and now comes word that at least one national ham radio society is taking action to stop the incursion. The South African Radio Relay League which was the first to make information on the threat public is already engaged in urgent talks with the that nations telecommunications regulatory body. Their objective is to try and convince the radio law makers that such a reallocation of spectrum would be a severe blow to the future of amateur radio. Others national societies are expected to quickly do the same. (SARL, Q-News)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS HONORED FOR TORNADO WORK

Ham radio Radio Skywarn spotters from 14 Central and Southern Indiana counties are being given credit for helping save lives. This, during an unusual outbreak of tornadoes the morning of Friday, September 20 th. Amateur News Weekly’s Jack Parker, W8ISH, tracked the storm and has this report.

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When an F3 Tornado started it’s destructive journey across Indiana, Hoosier hams were hot on the trail. In fact, the storm moved so quick several amateur radio operators almost became casualties themselves.

The mid-morning outbreak started as a line of strong thunderstorms associated with a cold front. Tornado touchdowns were reported in several counties southwest of Indianapolis before noon. The storm gained strength as it ripped apart homes and businesses while tossing cars like they were matchbox toys. Many amateur radio operators saw first hand the destructive power of these late summer storms. Around 1:00 p.m., an F3 tornado touched down in Ellettsville, just west of Bloomington, Indiana. Two Ellettsville hams, Mike Poe, KB9SGN, and Russ Ryle, N9DHX, had close encounters with the super strong tornado. According to one Monroe County Spotter “The tornado went right past Mike’s house. Poe was in his driveway trying to get away in his truck and wound up dodging parts of his neighbors house while transmitting a warning to the Bloomington repeater. At the same time Russ Ryle was taking cover.

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Ryle: “I was just passing information for my local area. First report I had was, we had a tornado on the ground. I could see some debris. At that point my wife and I took cover in the bathroom”.
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As many as four tornadoes skipped across Indiana covering 112 miles. Over 20,000 homes were damaged. Thankfully, no one was seriously injured or killed. The National Weather Service office in Indianapolis credited the Skywarn spotters with saving hundreds of lives. As the NWS began to receive frequent damage reports, activation of spotter groups became critical. The NWS requested spotter information be relayed to their office as quickly as possible so counties in the path of the storm could be alerted.

According to National Weather Service Warning Officer, Dave Tucek, quick actions by spotters helped the NWS increase watch and warning lead times to 25 minutes or more, saving lives.

After the storm passed, many of the individual county spotters groups teamed up with their local Red Cross, Salvation Army and Emergency Management agencies to provide communications between shelters and county EOC’s. Some of the amateur radio operators found themselves working with damage assessment teams while providing communications for National Guard clean up crews. Reporting from Indianapolis, for Amateur News Weekly, this is Jack Parker, W8ISH
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Following an aerial survey of the damaged areas, Indiana’s Governor Frank O’Bannon said this is the most wide spread tornado damage to hit the state in over a decade. Damage assessments are expected to be in the millions. (ANW)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K7UGE repeater serving Las

Vegas Nevada.

(5 sec pause here)

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RESCUE RADIO: FCC OK'S NEW PERSONAL LOCATOR BEACONS

If you are a ham involved in search and rescue work, listen up. The FCC has issued a report and order that provides for licensing individual 406.025 MHz personal locator beacons or P-L-B's. The agency says that it will require mandatory registration of these devices with the National Atmospheric and Oceanographic administration.

According to the CGC Communicator, a 406 MHz digital P-L-B signal contains information on the type of emergency, the country an identification code of the beacon in distress and other information to facilitate search and rescue operations. Even more important, a 406 MHz distress signal can be received and stored on-orbit by the COSPAS/SARSAT satellite and later retransmitted to the ground. That should eliminate the so-called blind spots found in older 121.50 MHz and 243.00 MHz devices. (CGC Communicator)

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ENFORCEMENT: YOU GET YOUR OLD CALL BACK

The FCC has written to Jamie H. King, Jr. of New Bern, North Carolina to tell him that it has canceled the Vanity Call Sign W4JHK and has reinstated his previous KG4RLJ call. Amateur Radio Newslines Bruce Tennant, K6PZW has more:

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Back on June 19th the agency requested that Jamie H. King, Jr., provide documentation of his claim that he was a former holder of the W4JHK call sign. He responded by letters dated July 20th and 27th. In his reply King stated that he believed that the problem seemed to lie in interpretation of blanks to be filled in on the Vanity Call Sign application. He says that when he completed the application last February, he interpreted the line 'Former Primary Station Holder' to mean any primary station license, regardless of call sign, issued at a date earlier than the application. Therefore he says that he was referring to his previous license KG4RLJ when he checked that line.

But the FCC says that explanation might be acceptable if King had only checked the "Former Primary Call Sign Holder" block. But the FCC says that King also wrote in the call sign W4JHK. Also, that the application block contains the statement -- quote -- "This call sign was previously shown on my primary station license."

The FCC says that in view of the fact that King has never been a former holder W4JHK, that his call sign reverts to KG4RLJ. It says a license bearing that call is on its way to him.

Reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennat, K6PZW
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The FCC adds that it is not pursuing further enforcement action at this time but cautioned King to use care in the filing of any future applications with the FCC. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: BIG FINE FOR SELLING ILLEGAL CORDLESS PHONES

The FCC has issued a $7,000 against Lightning Electronics Incorporated of Miami Florida. This, for willful and repeated violations of the Commission's rules involving Lightning's marketing of unapproved long-range cordless telephones. Phones that the agency says are capable of interfering with aviation safety. Phones that hams say are ripping up the two meter band. We have this report:

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Back in February of 2001, the Federal Aviation Administration told the FCC that some pilots were reporting receiving sporadic interference to an aviation frequency here in the Miami, Florida, area. In March of 2001, the FCC’s Miami Office identified the source of the interference as a long-range cordless telephone being operated from an electronics store in Miami. That one was quickly removed from the airwaves.

As a result of the FAA’s concerns, the FCC launched a nationwide investigation into the unlawful marketing and use of long-range cordless telephones. During the inquiry, the Bureau discovered that electronics dealers were selling long-range cordless telephones in several states. It also found that certain of the long-range cordless telephones caused interference by transmitting spurious emissions on aviation frequencies. Even more scary -- others were specifically designed to operate in the aviation band.

During the investigation, agents from the Miami Office visited Lightning Electronics retail store. This took place on July 27, 2001. While there, agents saw several of the illegal long-range cordless telephones on display. Models included a Super Phone CT-9000, a Prolink CT-6000CID, and an Optima OP8810.

According to the FCC, a salesperson at Lightning offered to sell one of the units to the agents. As a result, on August 24, 2001, the Miami Office issued a citation to Lightning for violation of rules which prohibit the marketing of unapproved radio frequency devices.

But the company apparently did not heed the warning. On September 26, 2001, agents from the Miami Office and from the Tampa Office again visited Lightning’s retail store. At that time they purchased a Prolink BAO-6110CID long-range cordless telephone and antenna for $669.80. The telephone the agents purchased was capable of causing serious interference to aviation communications and was not approved for sale by the Commission.

On October 29, 2001, the Tampa Office issued a Notice of Apparent Liability to Monetary Forfeiture against Lightning but the company did not file a response. On February 21, 2002, the Bureau issued a Forfeiture Order. On March 8, 2002, Lightning filed a petition for reconsideration of that order indicating certain information did not pertain to the company. The FCC responded with a new order last May 21st and has now ordered Lightning to pay up.

From Miami, I’m Bill Burnett, KT4SB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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So far the FCC investigation into the sale of these illegal high power cordless telephones has resulted in the issuance of several citations and fines by the agency’s Enforcement Bureau. Its also gotten a few that bothered ham radio communications on two meters off the air. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: SBC TO PAY $3.6 MILLION IN CONSENT DECREE

SBC Communications will pay $3.6 million to federal regulators for filing inaccurate information in applications to provide long-distance service in four states. The consent decree resulted from Federal Communications Commission investigations of S-B-C applications to enter the long-distance markets in Missouri, Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

In agreeing to the consent decree the company admits no wrong doing. In fact, SBC says that the inaccuracies were the result of good-faith efforts in describing highly technical matters and not the product of any intent to mislead. (Published reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: MITNICK SELLING LAPTOPS TO PAY LEGAL FEE

Former computer hacker Kevin Mitnick, N6NHG, says that he is selling some of his personal items to pay a lawyer who is trying to save his ham radio license. Mitnicks’ request to renew his license earlier this year end up in it being designated for a hearing. The items that Mitnick is auctioning off include his old Toshiba laptop computer which was taken by the government back in February of 1995. As this is written, that computer is up on e Bay with a top bid approaching $10,000.

A second laptop is also up for auction. It features a layer of fingerprint dust and red "X" marks where fingerprints were lifted. It also includes a mouse still housed in an FBI evidence bag. Both computers are signed on the bottom by Mitnick and former Apple executive Steve Wozniak. (Published reports)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: RAFY BRIEM N6FFT - TALKRADIO LEGEND -- RETIRES

Talk radio legend Ray Briem, N6FFT, has retired. Briem’s last show was on Sunday evening September 28th over Los Angeles radio station KRLA. Before moving to the 870 spot on the AM dial Briem spent several decades honing the art of late night talk over at KABC radio on 790 Kilohertz. While there his show was eventually put on the ABC radio network, nationwide. (ASWLC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: A.PROSE WALKER, W4BW - S.K.

A. Prose Walker, W4BW, the man considered as the father of the "WARC bands" has died. Walker headed up the FCC’s old Amateur and Citizens Division from 1971 to 1975. While there, he made the initial proposal for the creation of the 10, 18 and 24 MHz bands at a conference in Geneva 1972. Later, Walker organized and chaired the United States the Advisory Committee of Amateur Radio. This committee took the initial steps to turn the idea into reality at the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference.

But there was another side of Walker that hams in the world above 50 MHz do not remember very fondly. It was a set of highly restrictive repeater regulations promoted by Walker back in the early 70’s. Among other things, these rules required the submission of what are today called engineering feasibility studies in order to get a required W-R prefix repeater license. The regulations were so strict that repeater growth almost ground to a halt for the better part of half a decade. Eventually, the ham community lead by 73 Magazine publisher Wayne Green, W2NSD, rebelled against the Walker inspired rules. They were repealed as a part of repeater deregulation a few years later.

Walker was living in Rochester, New York, at the time of his death. He was 92. (ARRL, Repeater Remailer, W9JUV, 73 archives, others)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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ON THE WEB: INTERNET OUTAGE ON UUNET

If you think that the Internet went away for a few hours on October 3rd, you are close. What actually happened is that some users faced heavy delays reaching Web sites and accessing e-mail for a few hours because of widespread technical troubles on WorldCom's long-haul network.

A WorldCom' backbone called U-U-NET carries most of the Internet traffic in the United States. The problems began about 8 a.m. and about 20 percent of WorldCom's U.S. Internet. Very few if any lost service and Worldcom had service fully restored by early afternoon. WorldCom says that the problem appears to have been with the lists telling router computers how to pass data on to their destinations. (Published reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - GERMANY: THE CODE SHOULD STAY

Germany’s Deutscher Amateur Radio Club is that country’s national Amateur Radio society. As previously reported, the D.A.R.C. supports the retention of Morse code testing as a license qualification. Now, D.A.R.C. has put this position on the discussion agenda of the International Amateur Radio Union’s Region 1 Conference. Its slated to be held in San Marino in November.

(Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL-UK: BBC AND B SKY B TO LAUNCH ALL DIGITAL TV NETWORK

The British Broadcasting Company and Rupert Murdoch’s B sky B network are teaming up to create a new all digital television service in the United Kingdom. According to news reports, the terrestrial service called Freeview will be launched on October 30th. It’s purpose is to fill the void left by the collapse of I-T-V Digital Television. If successful, it will give Great Britain a let up on the rest of the world by being the first nation with an all digital network.
You can read More at :
http://www.reuters.com/news_article.jhtml?type=search&StoryID=1530266 (Media Network)

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INTERNATIONAL - NEW ZEALAND: HAM RADIO WALKABOUT

Well known land hiker Tony Whitiker, G3RKL, will be walking in the north island of New Zealand during the month of October. Tony will be walking from east to west and will be on the air using the callsign ZL6WFE. He will be on the New Zealand national repeater network and hopes to send Slow-Scan Television pictures live via the Internet Radio Linking Project gateways. (Q-News)

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ON THE AIR: NEW PROPAGATION BEACON FROM FN20

On the air, Steven Kerns, N3FTI, in Reading, Pennsylvania reports over the VHF Reflector that he has established a new 2 meter propagation beacon from grid square FN20. Its on 144.279 Mhz running 4 watts out into a Discone antenna but he plans to change that to a halo in the coming weeks. Steve is also planning a 6 meter beacon to operate from the same location. QSN reports go to Steve at his callbook address. (VHF Reflector)

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DX

In D-X, VE7XF is going back to the Cook Islands next weak in a muilti-multi operation to take part in the C-Q World Wide DX SSB Contest. He and the gang will operate from Manihiki on North Cook Island as ZK1MA during the event. Before and after the contest they will spend as much time as possible on 6 meter C-W and S-S-B with the call ZK1AKX. Listen for the operation from Manihiki from October 18th to the 31st and then on to Rarotonga South Cook Island from November 1st to the 11th. QSL cards go to Ralph Parker, 5330 Wallace Ave., Delta, British Columbia Canada at postal code V4M 1A1 (GB2RS)

K5AND, W5OZI and W5LXG will be operating from Montserrat from October 31st through November 8th. The trio will be focusing most of their attention on the 6 meter band using a Yaesu FT-897, a 7 element yaggi and radiating about 800

watts out and a Morse beacon on 50.155 Mhz.. From 20 to 10 meters they will run about 100 watts out. They say that the location is ideal for making 6 meter contacts across Europe, Africa and maybe even into the United States. As we go to air the most likely call sign they will use is VP2MJD. If you work them, Q-S-L as directed on the air. (VHF Reflector)

And Nick Peckett, G4KUX, operating as YA4F, has made what he claims is another first-ever contact on 6 meters from Afghanistan. Nick is now claiming that at 11:08 UTC on the 27th of September he worked VK6JQ in Broom, Western Australia for a YA to VK first on the Magic band. (G4NJH)

And G4IUF is on vacation in the Galapagos Islands. He hopesto be active on C-W and SSB from San Cristobal Island through the 23rd of October. He has requested the callsign HC8UF. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: FIRST 'eDX100' AWARD TO 4Z4DX

And finally this week, word that the first ever 'eDX100' award, issued on the basis of electronic - or 'e QSLs' - was awarded on the 25th of September to Dov Gavish, 4Z4DX of Ramat Hasharon Israel. The ‘eDX100’ award is billed by its sponsors as an electronic equivalent to the ARRL's DXCC but is issued for receiving electronic QSL’s from a minimum of 100 DXCC entities through the eQSL.cc system.

eQSL.cc or the Electronic QSL Card Centre which sponsors the award is operated by Dave Morris, N5UP, of Garland, Texas. It is supported by an advisory board of volunteers around the world.

And true to the nature of electronic QSL’ing, 4Z4DX will be able to print an ‘eDX100’ certificate on his own printer. He will also receive a full-color certificate and a walnut plaque in the mail. (eQSL.cc)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

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1490. making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 11:52:05 UTC
From: Ms Jillian Fryer <fryer@melbpc.org.au>
Message-ID: <aorguibeu1@possum.melbpc.org.au>
Source record: 3525
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

I have just bought the techniks "press n peel"kit for making PCB'S my question concerns the directions ,the first step, where you photocopy the circuit image onto the dull side of the emulsion. Not being used to photocopiers,which way faces up as it is loaded into photocopier the shiny side or the dull side,I've only got a few sheets and don't want to waste them,.
Mark.

1491. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 12:14:00 UTC
From: budgie@nowhere.cantech.net.au
Message-ID: <3db14c1a.3102424@news.cantech.net.au>
Source record: 3526
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

On Sat, 19 Oct 2002 21:52:05 +1000, "Ms Jillian Fryer"
<fryer@melbpc.org.au> wrote:

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I know the problem from trying to do double-sided copying. Simple
solution - take a sheet of plain paper and write "this side up" on the
side that is up (logical, but I figured I should say so). Then shove
that through the copier, and the result will solve your dilemma.

1492. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 12:31:47 UTC
From: Chuck/KE4ETH <chuck_hawks@hotmailnospamorama.com>
Message-ID: <spms9.2934$uu1.2842@news.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 3533
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

Best way is to take a piece of paper. Make a mark on it. put face down in the paper tray. make a copy and see if the mark is up or down in the output tray. then you know which way to put your sheet.

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73,
Chuck
KE4ETH

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1493. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 13:19:52 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3db15b00.3376445@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3527
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

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This works well. Remember that different models will vary, so check on
the one you are actually using. For a printer or copier you use
frequently, you might want to put a label on the paper tray when you
figure it out.

Also useful for double sided copies, letterhead, label stock, special
stock, and so on.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1494. Re: Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 14:57:02 UTC
From: nospam <nospam@nospam.nospam>
Message-ID: <2pes9.9978$Pk1.9232@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3528
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.shortwave

This is channel is about radios.
That doesn't mean everyone talking about and playing with their knobs
and tweaking their dials, it means anything from antennas to radio broadcast content.
If you think there is a whole newsgroup dedicated to your knob, then you wish.

<Pappy@USA.net> wrote in message news:3DB08BB6.66689424@USA.net...
> Take that personnel crap elsewhere, this is about RADIOS.
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> "lil' lo' me." wrote:
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> > Good Ol' James Keller, starting shit just like yer old man Joe eh?
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> > P.S. did you ever get your 75 meter antenna up? and do you really get
> > your rocks off calling my cellphone while blocking caller ID?
> >
> > you know who it is...
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1495. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 15:32:36 UTC
From: A E <aeisenhut@videotron.ca>
Message-ID: <3DB17B14.66810C90@videotron.ca>
Source record: 3529
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

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Sometimes, there is a logo of a sheet of paper that tells you.

1496. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 15:36:59 UTC
From: "Stephen C. Robbins" <srobbinsNoSPaMDUDES@netacc.net>
Message-ID: <3db17bec$1@news.netacc.net>
Source record: 3530
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

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Most paper trays manufactured in the past decade have an icon indicating
print side. If it prints on the side facing down, it shows a corner folded
with squiggly lines of print showing on the folded portion.

Steve

1497. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 16:00:44 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3db180e2.13075181@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3531
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

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>with squiggly lines of print showing on the folded portion.
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Although if they actually were visible, this wouldn't be a problem.
They are often a raised molding in the plastic, in exactly the same
color.

Fax machines have similar labeling, and I have seen faxes of the back
side (blank) of something more than once.

Happy trails,
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Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1498. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-19 18:03:31 UTC
From: mike@corn2.freeserve.co.uk
Message-ID: <3db19d7d.410853@news.freeserve.net>
Source record: 3532
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

Why not mark a sheet of photocopy paper with a message like "this
side" copy a document and see if your scribble gets overwritten ;-)
either way you will know what way to fit your 'Press and peel" stuff
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On Sat, 19 Oct 2002 21:52:05 +1000, "Ms Jillian Fryer"
<fryer@melbpc.org.au> wrote:

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>photocopiers,which way faces up as it is loaded into photocopier the shiny
>side or the dull side,I've only got a few sheets and don't want to waste
>them,.
> Mark.
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1499. HAM radios listening to trunked freq.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-20 03:38:09 UTC
From: kavall@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <a393ed14.0210191938.111629d8@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3534

Are there any handheld or mobile HAM radios that can also listen to trunked 900mhz freq? Or is it a scanner for the trunked systems, and a separate transeiver for the HAM side?

1500. ARNewsline 1314 - Oct 18 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-20 07:03:44 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021020030344.26288.00003811@mb-fe.aol.com>
Source record: 3535

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1314 – October 18, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1314 with a release date of Friday, October 18th, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

The FCC tells ham radio its not going to have to share 2300 Mhz. This story is first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1314 coming your way right now.

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SPECTRUM ISSUES: FCC SAYS NO TO 2300 MHZ SHARING

First the bad news. The FCC has dismissed an ARRL petition that sought primary status for amateurs in the 2300 to 2305 MHz. Now the good news. The Commission has also turned down a paior of petitions from commercial interests that had hoped to share the spectrum with Amateur Radio. Amateur Radio Newsline’s David Black, KB4KCH has more:

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It's not just ARRL that the FCC turns down. The Commission also dismissed petitions from MicroTrax and AeroAstro--both groups had sought access to 2300 to 2305 MHz. The FCC says it's denying the two commercial applications in part because appropriate spectrum is already available elsewhere. And, according to the Commission, neither company had demonstrated a need for additional spectrum.

By way of background, an ARRL bulletin says that MicroTrax had wanted to establish a Personal Location and Monitoring Service between 2300 and 2305 MHz. The petition by AeroAstro asked to share the band on a co-primary basis with Amateur Radio. AeroAstro wanted to launch its Satellite Enabled Notification System messaging service.

But the Commission says AeroAstro's request did not go far enough in protecting other serevices. The agency was particularly concerned that NASA's Deep Space Network would not be protected by the modified out-of-band limits AeroAstro had proposed.

The FCC says that -- at least for now -- amateur weak-signal communications in the 2300 to 2305 MHz band will be protected if the amateur allocation remains as secondary. The Commission says band will remain in its spectrum reserve. The status quo will be maintained, then, until the FCC re-evaluates the status of the frequencies in relation to the Amateur Service at some point in the future.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm David Black, KB4KCH.
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The 2300 to 2305 MHz band is allocated to Fixed and Mobile services on a primary basis and to the Amateur Service on a secondary basis in all three International Telecommunication Union regions. The Radiolocation Service has a secondary allocation in the band in Region 1, and a primary allocation in Regions 2 and 3. (ARRL)

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RESTRUCTURING: NETHERLANDS MAY SAY GOODBYE TO MORSE TESTS

Im Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, with some late breaking news. It comes from the Netherlands where the Morse code could soon be going away. RSGB News reader Jeramy Boot, G4NJG, has the details:

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The Netherlands is set to abandon the Morse code test next year. Rob van den Ent, PE9PE, reports that the Netherlands' national amateur radio convention took place the 12th and 13th of October. He says that the Dutch radio regulatory authority used the occasion to announce that if, as expected, Morse code is lifted as a mandatory requirement for an HF licence at nextyear's World Radio Conference, the authority would immediately eliminate the Morse code test in the Netherlands. At the same time, current VHF licensees would get direct access to the HF bands without further examinations.

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More on this story in future Amateur Radio Newsline reports. (GB2RS)

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RADIO REGULATIONS: BIG CHANGE AT THE ITU RADIOCOMUNICATION BUREAU

Ham radio has lost an significant post in the area of setting world radio policy. This, as a non radio amateur is selected to head up an important aspect of the International Telecommunications Union. From Brisbane Australia, Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the details:

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Valery Timofeev has been elected director of the International Telecommunication Union -- ITU -- Radiocommunication Bureau. Timofeev, who is Russia's deputy minister for communications and informatization, has extensive experience in radio frequency spectrum management at both the national and international levels.

Timofeev's election does mean for the first time in at least three decades, an non-Amateur Radio licensee will head the ITU Radiocommunication Bureau. The election took place during the 6th ITU Plenipotentiary Conference now under way in Marrakesh, Morocco. The meeting concludes October 18th.

From Q-News Australia, I’m Graham Kemp, VK4BB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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The political signifigance of this change is obvious. Having a ham radio operator in this position gave the service considerable leverage in negociations involving spectrum issues. (Q-News)

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RADIO REGULATIONS: HAM RADIO GAINS OBSERVER STATUS AT THE IARU

The International Amateur Radio Union now has observer status at ITU meetings. IARU President Larry Price, W4RA, was on hand to represent the organization at at a major ITU gathering which was held in Marrakesh Morroco in late September. And Region 2 Executive Committee member Tim Ellam, VE6SH, is now participating on behalf of the organization. (Q-News)

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THE WAR ON TERROR: COMMUNICATIONS STANDARDS ADOPTED

Back here in the United States, the communication industry has adopted emergency procedures intended to help maintain the nation's telephone, cable and Internet networks in case of a natural disaster or terrorist attack. The procedures were developed by a council of more than 50 industry officials formed by the Federal Communications Commission in January.

The group adopting the standards is called the Network Reliability and Interoperability Council. Their job was to recommend ways to strengthen communications networks to resist attack. The plan all have now agreed to will help companies in a crisis contact and work with partner firms to keep services running. (NRIC)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the AA4ED repeater serving Broward Ounty Florida.

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ON THE AIR: IRLP NODES TO GET AN EXTRA DIDGIT

Changes are in the air for those of you involved in internet radio linking. This, to permit an increase the number of possible I-R-L-P nodes to over 99 000.

Right now most I-R-L-P users will not notice any difference. Eventually IRLP node codes will increase from three numbers to four. The result is that node 640, for example, will become 6400. (G6PHF/Bass IRLP Group via APC News)

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ENFORCEMENT: FOUR LICENSES CANCELLED IN EXAM INVESTIGATION

Turning to enforcement news, a group radio amateurs who did not show up for a retest are no longer membewrs of the ham fraternity. The FCC’s Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, explains:

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Duckworth: “As a result of an audit by the Enforcement Bureau of the September 1st 2001 examination session given in Yucaipa California by the W5YI VEC, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau has cancelled the licenses of four who did not appear for a retest. Those are Technician Camito E. Lopez KG6GJG and General class licensees Marcileno Llanes KG6HBR, Manual Vega KG6GSP and Marcial Rivas KG6HCP.
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Duckworth says that the investigation into the exam session continues. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: KENYAN PIRATES OFF THE AIR

Still in the enforcement arena, ham radio in Nairobi Kenya have gotten some relief from illegal operators. Kenyan Intruder Watch Coordinator Ted Alleyne reports that five High Frequency stations have been confiscated. Also, the operators of a Nairobi travel agency that was using 2 meter amateur frequencies were caught and equipment has been siezed. (Q-News)

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ENFORCEMENT: IRANIAN JAMMER UPDATE

The 40 meter Iranian jammers we recently reported on are still being heard. Intruder Watch Regional Coordinator Martin Potter says that the jamming is being done to a low power station called Radio Mujahed. It’s being head in 10 Kilohertz steps from 7 point 010 to 7 point 090 Mhz. Potter says that S-W-L’s may find the same situation in the broadcasting frequencies as well. (Q-News)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: FCC CHAIRMAN POWELL COMMENTS ON MEDIA OWNERSHIP

Some names in the news. First is FCC chairman Michael Powell. He has warned that rules on media ownership will probably be struck down by the courts if they aren't modified to account for sweeping changes in the media landscape over the past 30 years. Powell's comments came shortly after the FCC released the results of studies suggesting that many ownership rules are outdated. The studies mark the foundation of the FCC's review of key rules on media ownership. (ComOnline)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: CULTURAL RESOURCE SPECIALIST NAMED

The C-G-C Communicator reports that Dr. Amos J. Loveday, Jr. has been appointed as the "Cultural Resource Specialist" in the F-C-C’s Wireless Telecommunications Bureau's Commercial Wireless Division. His job will be to

insure that tower and antenna siting projects comply with the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. He will also assist the FCC in establishing a closer working relationship with Native American Tribes and Native Hawaiian Organizations. (CGC Communicator)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: KB5HAV APPOINTED ASST MGR OF HURRICANE WATCH NET

Bobby Graves, KB5HAV, of Pearl, Mississippi, has been named as the Assistant Manager of the Hurricane Watch Net. According to the ARRL Letter, Graves appointment was announced by Mike Pilgrim, K5MP, who is Manager of the net. More information is on the web at www.hwn.org (ARRL)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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RESCUE RADIO: AOL SIGNS ONTO AMBER ALERET SYSTEM

The worlds largest Internet service, America Online, says that it will soon begin transmitting Amber Alerts. The service says that the alerts about abducted children will show up on the screens of computers, pagers and cell phones of more than 26 million of its subscribers in dozens of states and cities beginning in early November. Warnings issued by most communities that use the system will go to AOL users in those areas who request to receive them. All but one of the existing Amber Alert systems are participating in the America Online project. (AoL)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: X-RAY EYES

If you thought only cartoon super-heros like Superman could see through walls to detect the villains, guess again. New technology called ultra-wideband will soon allow mere mortals to detect objects buried underground and to build cars enhanced with sensors that help avoid collisions.

According to press reports, ultra-wideband uses millions of narrow pulses each second to get an accurate reading of location and distance, opening the door for new applications in radar tracking, precise positioning and wireless communications. The possibilities vary from short-range computer networking for homes to devices that determine the location of golfers on a course.

What regulators like even better is that ultra-wideband devices can work within frequencies already allocated for other radio services -- helping to maximize this dwindling resource. The Federal Communications Commission believes the technology is so promising that the agency has proposed allowing it to be used on an unlicensed basis.

But it may be a while before the new technology is available. First, government agencies and private groups are testing to make sure ultra-wideband can safely coexist with other services, like the Global Positioning System. More information is on the Ultra-wideband working group website at www.uwb.org (Science Today)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: PCSAT - HELP NEEDED TO BUILD A NEW BIRD

Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, of the P-C-sat Project Team has put out a call for an antenna designer for the next generation of this type of ham satellite. According to Bruninga, to get a free ride to orbit for P-C-Sat the satellite must fit inside of a perfectly spherical but totally passive mirror surfaced 18 inch diameter ball. Also, the antenna must be totally internal with no external protrusions.

To make it happen, the P-C-Sat team at the US Naval Academy Satellite Lab, needs a good RF designer and antenna modeler to help out. If you can help, please contat Bob Bruninga by e-mail to wb4apr@amsat.org. P-C-Sat is scheduled for launch in less than a year. (AMSAT BB)

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RADIO IN SPACE: GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS FOR NREW WESATS

The government has selexcted TRW Space and Electronics to build the fleet of next generation weather satellites. The Redondo Beach California unit of Cleveland Ohio based company will build two satellites with options for up to four more.

Eventually six new polar-orbiting satellites will collect data on the Earth's weather and climate, as well as its land, oceans and atmosphere. The birds will go into orbit between 2009 and 2018. The contract to build the new weather satellites is worth up to $4.5 billion dollars. And that’s billion – with a B. (Published reports)

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INTERNATIONAL – AUSTRALIA: THE CB MOUNTAIN CHALLENGE

Turning to the international pages, C-B operators in Australia are about to embark on what is best described as a cross between an emergency training operation and a contest. Its called the Mountain Challenge where the object is to accurately pass a message around the state of Victoria using C-B radio.

It will all take place on Saturday the 30th of November. Both 27 MHz and U-H-F C-B radio is used to get the message through. And this year the event will extend beyond Victoria, with C-B’ers in Mount Gambier and Tasmania having expressed interest in taking part.

Find this interesting? Want to learn more? Well you can – on the web at www.mrc.cat.net.au. (Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL - AFGHANASTAN: KANDAHAR GETS TV

A new television station in Kandahar Afghanastan is being called a resounding success. This even though the signal is so poor the Afghan musicians shown in the first broadcast looked like grainy, quivering ghosts. According to Abdul Ali who heads up broadcasting in Kandahar, all of the equipment is than 20 years old and had not been used at all during the years that the Taliban ruled the country. (Media Network)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: VE3CT WLECTED QCWA PRESIDENT

For the first time in the history of the Quarter Century Wireless Association a Canadian radio amateur has been elected as its president. Croft Taylor VE3CT , who previously served as vice president, assumed office on September 1st and will serve a two year term. The QCWA was founded in 1947. You can learn more at www.qcwa.org (RAC)

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DX

In D-X, A group of five American operators will be active using ZK1 callsigns from Manihiki in the remote North Cook Island group through the 31st of October. They will be active on 6 to 160 metres on CW, SSB and RTTY. During the CQ World Wide SSB Contest on the 26th and 27th of October they will use the callsign of ZK1MA. (GB2RS)

9V1SM is Sasi, a new operator from Singapore. He is active on all bands from 40 to 6 metres, mainly on SSB. He also plans to start PSK-31 operation in a few week's time. (RSGB)

Lastly, the new address for the ARRL W 5 Incoming QSL
Bureau is O.K.D.X.A, PO Box 2591, Claremore, Oklahoma 74017-2591. If you have cards for W-5 land, send them there. (ARRL)

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THAT FINAL ITEM:

WITH THE SCOUTS: JOTA THIS WEEKEND

This weekend, the 19th and 20th of October, is the scouts Jamboree on the Air, or JOTA. Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, tells us what its all about:

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The Jamboree on the Air is an annual event. Every October a half a million Scouts and Scout Guides all over the world take to the airwaves to make contact with each other by means of Amateur Radio.

The World Scout Bureau owns and operates its own Amateur Radio station. The the call sign H-B-9-S and it operates from a permanent radio room located in its offices in Geneva Switzerland. The station normally operates during Scout Nets and other major scouting events like the Jamboree On The Air. This year, the station is active on 160 through 10 meters in a number of languages.

Here in the United States, the big JOTA gathering takes place at Camp Wisdom near Dallas, Texas. The call sign to listen for from there is K2BSA slash 5. Other stations expected to take part include GB2GP in London England and JA1YSS from Tokyo Japan.

If you are hearing this newscast before or during this years Jamboree on the Air, get on the air and show your support of the worlds youth and of scouting by making contact with a J-O-T-A station. Who knows, it could evenb be HB9S.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennent, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.
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Again, this weekend, the 19th and 20th of October, is the 2002 Scouting Jamboree on the Air. And if you are hearing this newscast later in the week we hope you had time to contact a Jamboree station. (ARNewsline™, Q-News, GB2RS)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, saying 73 and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1501. Re: HAM radios listening to trunked freq.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-21 00:57:31 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3db3506d.11142051@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3536

On 19 Oct 2002 20:38:09 -0700, kavall@yahoo.com (Kavall) wrote:

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>trunked 900mhz freq? Or is it a scanner for the trunked systems, and a
>separate transeiver for the HAM side?

Following trunked transmissions is only something I have seen in a
specialized scanner.

While some newer ham radios have scanning capabilities, they don't
seem to have as many features or as much speed as a stand-alone
scanner.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1502. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-21 08:28:28 UTC
From: Steve Andrew <sjandrew@bigpond.net.au>
Message-ID: <MUOs9.8759$DP6.28662@news-server.bigpond.net.au>
Source record: 3537
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

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TIA

Steve

1503. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-21 09:28:27 UTC
From: Steve Andrew <sjandrew@bigpond.net.au>
Message-ID: <%MPs9.9172$DP6.29518@news-server.bigpond.net.au>
Source record: 3538
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

Thanks Dave...

DaveC <anon@example.net> wrote in message
news:0001HW.B9D90EFF00020498163F7590@news.covad.net...
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> Check out this simple laser-printer toner technique:
> < http://www.fullnet.com/u/tomg/gooteepc.htm >
> --
> Note that my return address is corrupted in an attempt to reduce spam. If
you
> choose to e-mail me, please correct my address as described below.
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> Thanks,
> Dave
> ---
> Dave Carpenter
> Sound Logic
> voicebox@d8n8a8i.com
>
> Remove the numbers to reply via e-mail
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1504. FM Stereo Broadcast approved June 1, 1961 (KPEN in SFO)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-21 15:04:12 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <MHUs9.193498$S32.12848149@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3540

KPEN in Atherton, CA (near San Francisco) was on the air with Stereo FM in 1961 as I recall. I had a Scott FM tuner then. Model 310.

For FM Stereo start date -- See URL:
http://www.tvhandbook.com/support/pdf_files/audio/Chapter14_6.pdf

"The second spark that made FM come alive was stereo. Although stereo audio dates back to experiments performed over wire lines by telephone engineers in the 1880s, real development came only with post-World War II technology. In 1959, the National Stereophonic Radio Committee was created to examine the many proposed systems of transmitting FM stereo and submit a final recommendation to the FCC. In the summer of 1960, 6 systems were field tested over KDKA-FM in Pittsburgh, with receivers set up at Uniontown, PA. The system proposed by General Electric and Zenith was adopted, with broadcasting authorized to start on June 1, 1961.
The first stations to begin stereophonic programing under the new rules were, quite appropriately, WGHM, Schenectady, NY (owned by General Electric), and WEFM, Chicago (owned by Zenith).

Circular polarization of the transmitted signal was another major step for FM radio. One of the early proponents was KPEN-FM, Atherton (on the San Francisco Peninsula), which later would become KIOI (better known as K-101), San Francisco. KPEN received a special temporary authorization from the FCC in the later part of 1963 to start testing the effects of adding a vertical component to the existing horizontal signal."

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com

1505. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-21 15:13:57 UTC
From: Dennis <dont@spam.me>
Message-ID: <VQUs9.10198$DP6.33712@news-server.bigpond.net.au>
Source record: 3539
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

I've used "press n peel" quit a few times over the last year, the last time being about half an hour ago. In general I've found it to be effective and fairly simple, but limited to a fairly high track size. I've used it mostly for making audio amplifier PCBs which I use large/huge tracks on anyway so that limitation doesn't bother me. The smallest track I'd probably use would be about 20mil, but I usually use at least 40mil.

The most difficult part is the actual ironing onto the PCB. If it doesn't go to well there may be small breaks in a track, half a pad missing here and there, or if the plastic shifts slightly when you're first starting some tracks may end up with a smeared appearance, and end up wider than desired. Many of these defects can be corrected before you etch by using a permanent pen to cover over/replace any missing mask, or by scratching off any excess with a knife/scriber. Most boards I make will need about 1 minute with a pen to check and fix any small defects, but I rarely have to scratch anything off.

Before I first used the "press n peel" I came across a web site of tips on it (I no langer have the address). The two tips that I've found to be most helpful are:

1) Don't actually feed a whole sheet of the stuff into the printer. First print on plane paper exactly what you want to print onto the "P n P" noteing which way up the paper was in the tray it came from, and the direction the paper was fed through the printer. I usually use the straight feed paper tray that folds down on the front of the printer, not one the actual paper tray draws, and I draw an arrow somewhere on the paper to show the feed direction before it is printed on. You then cut a piece of the press n peel large enough to cover the image on the paper with maybe 1 cm overhang on all edges. With some sticky tape, tape down the leading edge (as it will feed through the printer) of the "P n P" directly over the image on the paper. Then put the paper back in the tray in the same orientation as before and reprint. You should end up with the paper being drawn into the printer, taking the small cutout piece of "P n P" smoothly in with it, in exactly the right spot for the image to be printed on it. Then take the "P n P" off the paper and iron it onto your clean blank PCB. By doing this you use far less of the "P n P" than if you used a whole sheet every time (unless you're making A4 sized PCBs). I'd generally get between 4 and 6 PCBs per sheet, so of the original 5 sheets I've got 2 left after making about 15 PCBs.

I've never had problems with the sticky tape going through the printer, but I can't make any promises about your tape going through your printer. (I wouldn't realy expect any difference, this is just a simple word of caution about the quality of tape you feed through your printer)

2) When you iron the "P n P" onto the PCB the corners will tend to curl up a bit, which will result in the tracks nearest the corners barely sticking down and not leaving the toner behind. So when laying out your PCB put a nice big fat (300mil) border around your layout to help stick the "P n P" in place when you iron it on and keep it nice and flat near the tracks you want to keep.

I would assume that not everyone would be happy with the quality of the results from "Press n Peel" but I'll continue to use it happily (until I finish the last 2 sheets then I might try something new so I have something to compare it to) as I was very quickly able to make PCBs adequate to my purposes with minimal initial cost outlay.

I hope this is of help.

Cheers

Dennis

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Dennis

Many thanks for your detailed reply. I have to say that it sounds as if I'd be better off sticking to my current method of printing positives onto overhead-transparency material in my laser printer and using pre-sensitised PCB material. I do both analog (RF) and digital, usually on the same PCB, with track widths going down to 12mils.

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1507. Re: Manual for Yaesu FT-840

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-22 00:09:27 UTC
From: G D Geen <g.geen@ti.com>
Message-ID: <3DB4971E.325DA6CD@ti.com>
Source record: 3542
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio.amateur

try www.mods.dk they have a lot of manuals online in PDF format

-gdg

OZ1BV wrote:

> Dr. OM's
>
> Is there anybody out there who are able to mail me a manual for a Yaesu
> FT-840 ?
> If so, i will be VERY happy :-) I need to figure out how to use the
> connections on the backside for JOTA the coming weekend.
> The format (PDF ect.) is not important.
>
> Please respond to oz1bv(at)oz1bv.dk - replace (at) with @
>
> --
>
> Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian
> www.oz1bv.dk
> www.oz1bv.dk/byttesiden (swap / sale page)

1508. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-22 14:10:37 UTC
From: Dennis <dont@spam.me>
Message-ID: <x%ct9.14073$DP6.45113@news-server.bigpond.net.au>
Source record: 3543
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

That sounds like the best option to me. With the lower track widths and track spacing you'd be much more likely to get track breaks and bridges. You might be able to use it successfully, but I'd guess that it would be unreliable, and if you've already got a method that works I'd stick with it.

Cheers

Dennis

"Steve Andrew" <sjandrew@bigpond.net.au> wrote in message news:Je_s9.10556$DP6.34862@news-server.bigpond.net.au...
> Dennis
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> Many thanks for your detailed reply. I have to say that it sounds as if I'd
> be better off sticking to my current method of printing positives onto
> overhead-transparency material in my laser printer and using pre-sensitised
> PCB material. I do both analog (RF) and digital, usually on the same PCB,
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1509. Re: Help finding SoCal linked repeater system.. Please advise!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-23 04:14:21 UTC
From: Don Robertson <piper@pacinfo.com>
Message-ID: <3db61dcf_2@corp.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 3544

CRIPES!! , A bit constipated don't you think, Grumpy old men with radios should have stayed with CB.

"Radiomaker" <radiomaker@aol.com> wrote in message news:20021006212512.06800.00012516@mb-mv.aol.com...
> Obviously you are a new ham. Private repeaters are just that -- PRIVATE. If we
> want new users, we seek you out. Not the other way around.

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1510. Re: Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-23 04:24:42 UTC
From: Don Robertson <piper@pacinfo.com>
Message-ID: <3db6203e_3@corp.newsgroups.com>
Source record: 3545

Sorry Bubba, but I guess I don't fit your little tirade either. I'm active in my church and Local Union. I not only enjoy chatting on the radio, but also the opportunity to meet people over the airwaves that I would not normally get to meat. A contact in the Philippians, Japan, Puerto Rico among others. I have gained many new friends all up and down the area I live in and enjoy the Ham Club I belong to. Old and young, male and female members attend. Some over weight, yes but a lot aren't. I'm not, I walk at least 13 miles a day and bicycle about 50 miles a week. So if you really don't like Ham radio and the people who participate then go hang out with you computer game geek friends or go back to watching cartoons.

"Vshah101" <vshah101@aol.com> wrote in message news:20021010000609.20940.00000523@mb-mn.aol.com...
> >> One day a man, who had been stranded on a desert island for over ten years
> >> sees an unusual speck on the horizon.
> >
> >So, someone adapted this joke to the ham world.... go figures...
>
> You have to admit, the state of Ham Radio is pretty bad. Hams tend to be the
> people that have nothing better in their life. They tend to make (radio)
> contacts, when others are socializing. They tend to be overweight, and mostly
> male group. At the club closest to me, it is held at the Senior Center, and
> coincidentally >80% of the members are old.
>
> The average non-Ham does not respect Hams. Ocasionally I have mentioned Ham
> Radio in conversations, and have tried to get some interest by non Hams to Ham
> Radio or to justify belonging to one. Most Hams do not know this, they feel
> the average non-Ham thinks "Hams" are CBers. Hams do not see that the public
> does not see them as Cbers, just plain weird. A non-Ham asked me if Hamfests
> are like Star-Trek conventions. Originally I went to a Hamfest with a
> co-worker who is a Ham. In some Hamfests are like Star-Trek conventions, but I
> was surprised to hear this perception by a non-Ham.
>
> They are not respected as volunteers, and some Hams seek out volunteer

> opportunities, rather than being asked to volunteer. The EE Hams I know
tend to
> be the ones that have switched over to software, or happy to not apply
their
> skills, (not the ambitions type).
>
> Hams tend not to do anything interesting with their hobby, despite the
wide
> range of activities that could involve amateur radio. Ham Radio does not
stand
> for anything really. The promise of Ham Radio in education has not been
> utilized. Propagation, geography, navigation, etc could be well
demonstrated
> using an Amateur Radio theme. Part of this lies with the educational
systems,
> they tend not to want to include this type of education, although it could
be a
> good learning experience.
>
> Ham Radio is mostly an appliance operator hobby. "Amateur Radio" clubs are
> meetings of Hams to share their interest in appliance operation, similar
to a
> computer user club. Hams have developed a set of procedures, traditions,
and
> jargon, many of them unnecessary. Knowing and believing in some of these
> traditions is what makes Ham Radio a kind of cult. There are Ham Radio
secret
> societies and "stories" of other Hams. Some of these traditions make Hams
feel
> like they are part of "Ham Radio".
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1511. Re: Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-23 23:09:22 UTC
From: richcranus@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <c5ecbb69.0210231509.495399d0@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3546
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy

mrguard@iname.com (James A Keller) wrote in message
news:<v6vp9.46732$kF.7486920@twister.columbus.rr.com>...
> Hello everyone
>
> While looking at the list of Callsign Trustees with 2 or more calls at:
> http://www.ah0a.org/FCC/Clubs5.htm
> I put a number of the calls in the Repeater search engine at:
> http://www.artscipub.com/repeaters/showrepeaters.asp
>
> I noticed that a number of the clubs listed in the top 10% of the list
> do not have a repeater listed even though they are listed as
> networked clubs, repeater groups, systems and associations.
> I found that to be really strange.. Dont you?
> Then I looked at some of the club names and calls
> This is what I found.
> 1) A number of different clubs have the same prefix's.
> I find that confusing as it must be hard in that area
> that quite a number of groups have the same suffix calls..
> 2) Some of the names of the clubs just scream out "Question Me"
> These clubs that are named after sports heroes, the trustee or
> their qth address, or other names such as the Jammers for Jesus
> or the Richard Burton ARC (both who are finally being questioned
> by Riley).
> 3) A number of different clubs that have the same issuance date
> for the callsigns.. Is that strange that the boards and members
> of these clubs can all agree on their calls at the same time?
> 4) If some of these trustees are supposed to monitor the repeaters
> and other transmissions of these clubs, it must be hell to monitor
> 5 different repeaters at once to police the frequencies.
>
> Ham Radio is supposed to take care of itself.. It seems that the only times
> Riley
> and others have anything s after pressure has been applied by many
> individuals or threats of government intervention by political officals
> has been used as a last result.
>
> I know of a few cases where Riley has questioned calls and clubs in this
> matter and has taken action.. That has to be applauded.
> Of course there are the clubs that have provided the correct information
> of the groups existance and even though these clubs have constitutions,
> membership lists, participated in contests and other social events,
> and even issued nice membership certificates, these clubs were
> not viewed as offical due to public misguided pressures.

>
> Riley has alot to do to clean up this hobby and he needs our help.
> Some of the things that need to be done is
> 1) The clean up of the repeaters and airways of Jammers and
> action taken when such offenders have been identified.
> (In South Florida a number of offenders have been identified, taped
> claiming that they were the jammer, and have been verified
> but credible folks such as offical observers, ect but nothing has been
> done by the FCC. And We are not talking about Flippo.)
> 2) Actions taken by League Officals and other Amateurs who conduct
> VEC exams, Emergency Coordinators ect, that violate laws, the amateur
> code and even normal decency standards that nothing is done by the
> amateur Supervisory folks (ARRL, Riley ect) until threats of
> legal intervention are involved.
> 3) The groups on the airwaves who believe that they own their
> frequency because the repeater is there or that their net happens
> there daily (10-10 anyone?) who do nothing when their members
> openly jam QSO's on such frequency in a malicious manner..
> I have been in a number of QSO's and have listened to them also.
> Then these folks have the audacity to claim that the stations in the
> QSO are openly Jamming them because of being on their frequency.
> 4) These clubs that have to be questioned.. I have written to Riley
> about a few clubs that are very suspicious due to content (some on
> a personal family level) and even one that on Usenet posted the true
> nature of their club.. Some of these clubs have a smearing nature to
> destroy certain hams and have posted that.. even using previous calls
> of that ham to ensure that.
>
> Perhaps all of this is too much for Riley to handle?
> I am not here to bash Riley but if it takes public pressure to get
> things to happen, perhaps we should let Riley know of this concern
> so we can get action taken before this hobby gets an even blacker eye.
> Some of these actions and officals belong back on CB.
>
> You can write Riley at rhollings@fcc.gov
>
> Im not out to start a flame war or anything which is why I didnt name
> names or clubs but you can search on groups.google.com of such
> occurances of what I listed above.. One such example is
> "Something Smells in West Palm Beach" about a VEC exam about 4 years ago
> where a handicapped VE was intimidated by the Head VE and others in the
> hopes of chasing the ham from the hobby.
> Riley does a good job and is not to be bashed by this letter but this
> is written with the hopes that Riley will realize what the ham community
> is concerned about and will focus his efforts.
>
> If you have any questions, email me and we can discuss.. there is no need
> to get into name callings or anything else.
>
> James Keller W8WW

> mrguard@earthlink.net

Wouldn't you think a "real ham" would have better things to do than
whine about "vanity callsigns"? I would. Get a life, Jimmy.

1512. Re: Vanity Call Abuse and other Problems.. Riley Do something!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-23 23:24:46 UTC
From: JJ <radiobuff0@mailcity.net>
Message-ID: <3DB72FBE.93E8D7DD@mailcity.net>
Source record: 3549
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.policy

Dickieboy Craniumless wrote:

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Wouldn't you think a "real ham" would be able to find the 10 meter
band? You still looking dickieboy?

1513. BAD HAM ALERT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-24 00:34:19 UTC
From: vtfoxfire@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021023203419.09577.00004956@mb-cu.aol.com>
Source record: 3547

i hate to use that term but it fits the bill...I bought a kenwoon tm-d700 from

VE7EPS KERRY ATKINSON of Edmonton, ablerta... I sent the payment
by western union.. no radio i call i emailed he said it was shipped , then
he said he would trace the package... not the email does not work and his
phone is disconnected..... I know now of others that have been burned by this
person.
I have asked for a refund but no answer to that eather.....
DO NOT DEAL WITH THIS PERSON ....
I hope this message saves somebody else from being took by this guy
If anybody has any info on this person please email it to me....
thank-you 73's Foster w1cgt@amsat.org

1514. Re: making pcb

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-24 01:14:15 UTC
From: Paul N3EOP <n3eop@arrl.or.callsign.net>
Message-ID: <Xns92B0B9859E077n3eophotmailcom@64.164.98.6>
Source record: 3548
Cross-posted to: aus.electronics,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,sci.electronics.basics,sci.electronics.repair

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I've used it with mediocre results. As others have said, it's good for big stuff, but forget anything surface mount. (I prefer surface mount, as then you don't need to drill all those holes... <G>)

Honestly, I really prefer to use the presensitized PCB method. You don't need a darkroom to do it; I work on the bathroom counter with the bathroom lights off and the hall lights on. I've done surface mount as fine as 0.5mm (20 mil) pitch; that takes some care and strict attention to timing. (Haven't had to do anything finer.)

The only extra steps involved are exposing the board and developing the exposure. Everything else is the same.

1515. Re: BAD HAM ALERT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-24 01:54:51 UTC
From: Artie DeCoe <Artie@dcoe.net>
Message-ID: <q4ecne1I3fVwzyqgXTWcoQ@comcast.com>
Source record: 3550

Bad ham.. Well, that's certainly not Kosher.

1516. FS 900 mhz 8 cavity duplexer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-24 18:29:16 UTC
From: Mike Kulyk <mkulyk@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <0_Wt9.5280$D63.5212@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3551
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio.marketplace

900 MHz 8 Cavity Duplexer
Compact Duplexer with Circulator

This Duplexer came from an older 900 MHz linking radio system. It is presently tuned for 895.90 MHz TX and 934.70 RX, making it very suitable for the 900 MHz Ham band. It came out of service, so should be working fine, but it comes AS-IS.

$150 plus shipping

1517. CTCSS question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-25 02:48:07 UTC
From: Andy KC2SSB <vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <hlbhru8t692cb0ck158uc100qubc6l0geo@4ax.com>
Source record: 3552
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur

I have a question.. my local first aid and fire companies use pagers
to notify them of calls. The pagers can be set so that the volunteers
hear nothing until there's a call (page). Does anyone know if they
transmit CTCSS tones to activate the pagers? The reason I am asking it
because I'd like to set my VX-5R to use the "Bell Operation", so that
when the CTCSS tone for my squad is set off, my radio beeps. How would
I find out what CTCSS tone is used, if this is indeed the method of
activating the pagers.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1518. Re: CTCSS question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-25 05:35:19 UTC
From: "M. Schneider" <markinokla@juno.com>
Message-ID: <Kx4u9.109$b4.5839@sooner.brightok.net>
Source record: 3553
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur

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Mark

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> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
> http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1519. HFpack. The HF Portable Group. http://www.hfpack.com

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-25 06:07:33 UTC
From: expeditionradio@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <b3dd6dad.0210242207.7cb857d5@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3554

http://www.hfpack.com

HFpack. The HF Portable Group. HFpack.com is an international resource for portable High Frequency communications. HFpack provides an information exchange about transceivers, antennas, systems, packs, propagation, new developments and techniques in HF portable operation. The HFpack egroup and on-the-air schedules are active with amateur radio around the world.
Weekends: 18157.5kHz USB or 14342.5kHz USB

Join us on the air or on our egroup if you are interested.

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HFpack is... High Frequency Portable transceivers, antennas. HF SSB CW Data. Pedestrian mobile, Amateur radio communication Handheld backpack manpack Pedestrian, Human Power Mobile. Telescopic collapsible antenna counterpoise autotuner tuner autocoupler. Battery solar. Headset,key. Low power technique. Portable amps, tuners. Hike camp bicycle kayak, expedition communications. HF SSB CW Data.

1520. Re: CTCSS question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-25 11:21:54 UTC
From: Chuck/KE4ETH <chuck_hawks@hotmailnospamorama.com>
Message-ID: <67fu9.6668$bS5.4251@news.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 3555
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur

Never hurts to ask. At worst they say no.

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73,
Chuck
KE4ETH

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news:hlbhru8t692cb0ck158uc100qubc6l0geo@4ax.com...
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1521. Re: CTCSS question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-25 18:47:47 UTC
From: Richard Dreyfuss <jquimby@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Xns92B2812B7C54Ejquimbyhotmailcom@206.141.192.32>
Source record: 3556
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur

"M. Schneider" <markinokla@juno.com> wrote in
news:Kx4u9.109$b4.5839@sooner.brightok.net:

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> reasonably priced 2m HTs that have DTMF decode, so I'm sure your VX-5R
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> would be for comm use, hard to say if the pagers have CTCSS decode
> also.
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> Mark

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Find out the frequency and start listening. The vx-5 can scan for CTCSS
tones (kinda slowly, but it's there). And just listening to the proper
freq without the tones enabled should tell you if they use DTMF, but I
suppose you'd have to catch the very beginning of a transmission.

Hope this helped.
Ben

1522. Re: CTCSS question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-25 20:10:42 UTC
From: tpstone@panaband.com
Message-ID: <70c32923.0210251210.148b1d30@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3557
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur

Even more likely than DTMF is two tone sequential signalling (like QC-II)

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> > Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
> > http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1523. Re: BAD HAM ALERT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-25 23:50:50 UTC
From: "Alan (Ursus Major)" <ursus@walkington.org>
Message-ID: <uNku9.1461981$P95.143568@post-03.news.easynews.com>
Source record: 3558

But can it be cured?

ab0nu

"Artie DeCoe" <Artie@dcoe.net> wrote in message
news:q4ecne1I3fVwzyqgXTWcoQ@comcast.com...
> Bad ham.. Well, that's certainly not Kosher.
>
>
>

1524. Re: BAD HAM ALERT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-26 00:14:28 UTC
From: ham <sp@m.not>
Message-ID: <3DB9DE91.AD2872B3@m.not>
Source record: 3559

Aww, you're just rubbing salt in the wounds.

Honey works better.

"Alan (Ursus Major)" wrote:

> But can it be cured?
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> ab0nu
>
> "Artie DeCoe" <Artie@dcoe.net> wrote in message
> news:q4ecne1I3fVwzyqgXTWcoQ@comcast.com...
> > Bad ham.. Well, that's certainly not Kosher.
> >
> >
> >

1525. How do I change my callsign?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-26 00:31:41 UTC
From: Jan <jan.f.g@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <Nnlu9.108880$La5.337238@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3560

Hi,

This may be a stupid question: how do I get a new call sign assigned? I moved from TN to WA and want a xx7xx callsign issued. All I can find on the FCC site is how to apply for a vanity callsign, which is not what I want to do...

Thanks.

Jan

1526. Re: How do I change my callsign?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-26 01:12:53 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <p_lu9.23238$C53.1009977@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3562

Jan -- see ARRL Website -- Form NCVEC605 at URL:
http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/ncvec605-3.pdf

or
http://www.arrl.org/fcc/forms.html

or "The FCC Forms Distribution Center will accept orders at 800-418-3676."

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com
"Jan" <jan.f.g@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:Nnlu9.108880$La5.337238@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net...
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> FCC site is how to apply for a vanity callsign, which is not what I want
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> do...
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> Thanks.
>
> Jan
>
>

1527. Re: CTCSS question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-26 01:19:24 UTC
From: "Mark R. Hourigan" <kc4hyf@bellsouth.net>
Message-ID: <3DB9ED9C.1010602@bellsouth.net>
Source record: 3561
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur

The cheapest way to do what you wnat is to buy an old Minitor 1 pager (EBAY) and put the correct crystal and and tone reeds in. I would guess it'll cost you $30-$50.

Andy KC2SSB wrote:
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> to notify them of calls. The pagers can be set so that the volunteers
> hear nothing until there's a call (page). Does anyone know if they
> transmit CTCSS tones to activate the pagers? The reason I am asking it
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1528. Re: CTCSS question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-26 02:57:50 UTC
From: Andy KC2SSB <vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <341krug066l151g19k6q3ef707lifqua9g@4ax.com>
Source record: 3563
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur

Thanks for all the replies. I think it's obvious I will not be able to
set the VX-5 to beep when the tones are activated. I'll have to be
happy with listening to everything on the frequency.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1529. Searching ham (OM, YL, SWL) being also astronomer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-26 10:44:38 UTC
From: lombryt@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <db35a0c.0210260244.9ce0f08@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3564

Hi,

Are you a licenced ham radio or SWL ?

and are you interested in amateur astronomy too, or professional ? I
mean you have some background in that matter, you own a telescope >
100 mm aperture, or you know well astrophotography, or the sky, etc.

I would like simply keep a list of some amateurs, licensed but also
SWL, working in both hobbies, like me, a way to exchange some
information one or another day.

A short summary of your activity 'd be welcome (not mandatory)
Give me also your callsign (I presume you are listed on QRZ.com) or
the URL of your website.

Thanks in advance.

Thierry
ONL5183
http://www.astrosurf.com/lombry

1530. FS: 2 Motorola MT500's

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-26 21:08:47 UTC
From: SkipRadio <skipradio@fuckmicrosoft.comNOSPAM>
Message-ID: <zvDu9.87758$wU3.4438749@news0.telusplanet.net>
Source record: 3565
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap

FS: 2 Motorola MT500's *WON'T POWER UP*
They include:
Both Radios
Elements in both radio's (453.525MHz)
Stubby Antennas
Batteries (Unsure of condition)
Chargers

The problems could either lie in the batteries being old, or just the radio's need to be refurbished.

Asking $300CAN + shipping costs. (From Vancouver, B.C.)

SkipRadio
electricpathway1@hotmail.com

1531. MAnuel for Yaesu FT 100 D

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-27 15:51:25 UTC
From: Xav <xavier.amand@planetinternet.be>
Message-ID: <3dbc0ba8$0$6008$ba620e4c@news.skynet.be>
Source record: 3566

Dear OM's

Is there anybody out there who are able to mail me the FRENCH manual for a
Yaesu
FT 100-D ?
If so, i will be VERY happy :-)

I will pay the copies and postcosts.

THank you.

Best 73's

Xavier
ON2SD

xavieron2sd@hotmail.com

1532. FRENCH manual for a FT 100 D

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-27 15:58:07 UTC
From: Xav <xavier.amand@infonie.be>
Message-ID: <3dbc0d3a$0$6022$ba620e4c@news.skynet.be>
Source record: 3567

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1533. Re: Power Supply Fan Noise

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-27 22:16:20 UTC
From: Deos <lineoffiretoday@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <apj7e1$8eh$2@nic.grnet.gr>
Source record: 3577

a) try oiling it a bit
b) change the fan with a new one
c) drop the fans speed

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http://deosiereas.virtualave.net
"splanky" <splanky@splancus.net> wrote in message
news:rjIr9.81996$NW3.20132@sccrnsc03...
> I bought a linear power supply, the MFJ-4035MV, but the fan noise is just
> plain loud. Although it runs cool as a cucumber, the fan is three times as
> loud as the transceiver.
>
> Does anyone have the Astron RS-35A power supply, or other in the 40-35 amp
> range? Is the fan loud?
>
> Any suggestions for a conventional power supply in the 30-40 amp region
> where the fan noise won't offend the wife?
>
> John
>
>

1534. Re: searching CW.wav files

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-27 22:21:23 UTC
From: Deos <lineoffiretoday@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <apj7e3$8eh$3@nic.grnet.gr>
Source record: 3578

why save as wav when you can save them as MIDI ?????
a nice program call morse2midi is just what you need

Morse Midi 1.1

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Overview

Morse Midi generates Morse messages from text and saves them in a MIDI file.
Calibrated transmission speed, MIDI playback, automatic text generation
option.
More information

Download: http://www.netvampire.com/ham/files/MorseMid.zip
Web site: http://www.netvampire.com/ham/
Email: ham@netvampire.com

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http://deosiereas.virtualave.net
"Thierry" <lombryt@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:db35a0c.0210120316.6696a7c6@posting.google.com...
> Hi,
>
> In order to demonstrate to newbies what can be a message sent in morse
> code, I am (desperately) searching waves files of CW sounds, and
> specially "words" like
> "73 de ON4LDU" or full custom sentences at low to medium speeds (5 to
> 20 words/min).
>
> Can someone provide me such files or give me some idea on how to
> record such files ?
> NB. software like supermorse can do that reading external .txt files
> but it cannot save the file as .wav.
>
> My only alternative is to place my digital camera nearby my RTX
> speaker and recording on the air but the .wav file is attached to a
> mpeg that I cannot remove.
>
> Thanks in advance
>
> Thierry
> ONL5183
> http://www.astrosurf.com/lombry/menu-qsl.htm
> http://www.qsl.net/on4ldu/index.html

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1535. WTB: "Comm 1" Aviation Radio Training Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 03:43:18 UTC
From: st-roch@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <78537861.0210271943.6545b873@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3568
Cross-posted to: rec.aviation.piloting,rec.aviation.owning,rec.aviation,rec.radio.amateur

Want to Buy: "Comm 1" Aviation Radio Training Software.

CAP Cadet

Thanks

Sue Sanchez

1536. ARNewsline 1315 - Oct 25 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 05:36:10 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021028003610.28678.00001345@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 3569

Amateur Radio Newsline™ #1315 – October 25 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline™ report number 1315 with a release date of Friday, October 25 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. A ham radio operator may have played a part in the apprehension of the DC sniper suspects, the U-K says no more new operators in its 5 megs experiment and the ARRL says no to unlicensed visitors sharing a United States ham radio band. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1315 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO HELPS NAB THE DC SNIPER SUSPECTS

A ham radio operators may have played a role in the apprehension of two men wanted in connection with the sniper shootings in the Washington DC area. ABC News interviewed the trucker who called the police to report he had spotted the two suspects. When asked how he heard about the description of the vehicle, his response was that he heard it while listening to Bozo on WLW radio

Now, Chip Margelli, K7JA tell amateur Radio Newsline that Bozo in real life is Dale Sommers; callsign WB6OM. Sommers hosts a very popular late night trucker's show on the 700 Kilohertz clear channel station. His show is mainly music and information of interest to long-haul truck drivers. The description of the wanted men was just that. As a result the pair are in custody thanks to a trucker who was paying attention to what WB6OM had to say as “Truckin Bozo” over WLW in Cincinnati. (K7JA)

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INTERNATIONAL: NEW PERMITS FOR THE UK 5 MHZ EXPERIMENT GOING ON HOLD

What happens when a propagation experiment gets a bit to popular? If you are a telecommunications regulator in the United Kingdom you might be inclined to temporarily suspended issuing further permits for hams to take part. And that’s what’s about to happen in regard to the United Kingdom’s 5 Megs experiment. From Nottingham England, here’s Jeramy Boot, G4NJH:

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The Radiocommunications Agency says that applications for 5-MHz band experimental Notices of Variation or NoV’s have far exceeded their expectations. The R.A. now considers that the risk of congestion on the five spot frequencies allocated may be detrimental to the overall success of the experiment.

Accordingly, the RA has decided not to issue any further NoV’s for applications received after the 31st of October. The position will be kept

under review and occupancy monitoring of the frequencies will be carried out. It is hoped that ollowing this exercise - more NoV's could be issued, or a numerical limit to the number of NoVs can be set based on usage and congestion. It is likely that an announcement can be made later this year for action early in the new year.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.

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The United Kingdom 5 MHz experimental band was made available to that nations individual Full Class A hams by means of a Notice of Variation issued last July. The five 3kHz-wide frequency allocations are permitted for the purposes of antenna and propagation experiments. The Radio Society of Great Britain is in charge of the overall management of the project. (RSGB)

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INTERNATIONAL: AN IARU UPDATE FROM PRESIDENT LARRY PRICE W4RA

Still in the international arena, we have a follow up to last weeks story on the International Amateur Radio Union. With it, here's our producer Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF:

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We received a very nice note from International Amateur Radio Union President Larry Price, W4RA, following last weeks story about the recent meeting in Morocco. According to President Price, the news isn't the IARU observer status at Plenipotentiary Conferences. He tells Newsline that IARU has had this status since the 1998 Conference in Minneapolis. At that time the International Telecommunications Union Convention rules were modified to give the same privileges at Plenipotentiary Conferences as IARU already had at Radio Conferences.

President Price says that the real news was the special station, CN8UIT set up at the conference center in Marrakech. He says that this was a follow on from a similar station set up by the ARRL in Minneapolis and one eight years ago in Kyoto, Japan from the JARL.

Buy the way, the CN8UIT call is based on the French pronunciation of the International Telecommunications Union. For those of you unaware, the International Amateur Radio Union was founded in 1925 specifically to represent our service at international conferences. It has done so -- with great success -- ever since.

With a thank-you to IARU President Larry Price, W4RA, for that neat note, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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In his note to us President Price says that the IARU has taken part in every major conference in modern years. Also that it will be there for all of us at WRC 2003 in Geneva Switzerland. (ARNewsline™)

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INTERNATIONAL: ARRL ASKS FCC TO DENY US USE OF EUROPEAN/UK FRS-TYPE RADIOS ON 70 cm

The ARRL is saying no to visitors using unlicensed radios in our ham bands. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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The ARRL has asked the FCC to deny a petition that would set aside spectrum in the 70-cm ham band for non ham use. This, for use by visitors from Europe and the United Kingdom to use their Personal Mobile Radio transceivers while in the U-S.

According to the ARRL Letter, the request was filed by Dr. Michael Trahos, KB4PGC of Alexandria Virginia. It asks that European PMR 446 type handie-talkies be allowed to operate license free while overseas travelers were in United States jurisdiction. PMR 446 hand-helds are similar to the US Family Radio Service transceivers but operate on eight channels between 446.0 and 446 .1 MHz. at up to a half watt out.

In his Petition, Trahos said that existing Part 97 Amateur Service rules precluding the use of PMR 446 radios in the US were essentially unenforceable and that granting his petition would have minimal impact on existing amateur operations. The ARRL countered by saying that there are obvious enforcement problems associated with the Petition. It says that putting the unlicensed users on a ham band is a formula for serious interference problems to be created.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Im Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.
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As an alternative, the ARRL recommends that European and UK visitors simply purchase inexpensive FRS transceivers to use during visits to the United States. (ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N5IUF repeater serving the Lone Star State from Dallas Texas.

(5 sec pause here)

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RADIO LAW: FCC REJECTS AMATEUR'S PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION ON CC&R ISSUE

The FCC has turned down a Petition for Reconsideration filed by a Florida amateur. This, of the Commission's 2001 decision to deny the ARRL's Application for Review in RM-8763. That proceeding concerned the League's effort to have the Commission include privately imposed deed restrictions under PRB-1.

The ARRL says that the FCC dismissed its Application for Review last December 18th. At that time the FCC noted that PRB-1 more than adequately protects federal interest in promoting amateur communications from overly restrictive regulations.

Not long after, W. Lee McVey, W6EM, of Bradenton, Florida, filed his own Petition for Reconsideration Mc Vey claimed that it presented additional evidence that the FCC had not considered in dealing with the ARRL's petition. But the FCC disagreed. It says that McVey offered up no new evidence in the matter and has turned his petition away. (ARRL)

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ENFORCEMENT: INDONESIA PIRATE UPDATE

An update now to our recent story on the problems being caused by pirate stations in Indonesia. Not only are they making life difficult for hams around the world. The pirates are also playing havoc with domestic Indonesian ham radio communications as well. With more, heres Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB:

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Many reports covering Indonesian non amateurs using our frequencies in the 40, 20 and 10 metre bands are making their way to the IARUMS. There seems absolutely no control over their working and existence by the local Government.

It is very difficult for licensed Indonesian amateurs to find a clear frequency in the lower edges of 40mb for their authorised cmmunications. Generally the licensed Indonesians are around 7050,7055 and 7060 kHz for their traffic. 7050 kHz frequency, carries CW lessons for the intending future amateurs. Otherwise, the licensed ones, operate in their own nets and you can clearly identify their call signs in between, as per standard practice, though the entire conversations are in Indonesian.

Another frequency regularly used by a SE Asian group for two-way non amateur communications is 14044 J3Eu mode around 0100 UTC every day. IARUMS need the services of those knowing SE Asian languages to identify them, they may be from XV, 3W or XU area.
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If you are a resident of South-East Asia and heating this newscast, you are requested to watch 14.044 MHz and help identify the unlicensed users. Please send that information to your nations Intruder Watch Coordinator as fast as you can. (Q-News)

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ENFORCEMENT: PIRATE BOARDCASTING IN SAN DIEGO CA

Back here in the U-S-A, Bob Gonsett’s CGC Communicator reports on an entity calling itself Free Radio San Diego which announced plans to begin broadcasting on on 96.9 MHz.. The transmitter location and parameters are unknown but one person reports being in the town of Carlsbad California and seeing a spray-painted stenciled sign on the concrete walkway promoting Free Radio 96.9. Also, the operator of the station does have a web site at

www.pirate969.org What action the FCC may be planning on this one is unknown. (CGC Communicator)

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ENFORCEMENT: BE CAREFUL ON 146.52

The has FCC issued and then retracted advisory notices to five Mid-West hams telling them that they were talking to long. This, on the national calling frequency of 146.52 MHz.

The letters said -- and we quote: “The frequency 146.52 MHz is customarily used, and is called for under the band plan, as a simplex calling frequency for Two Meter operation. Numerous communications from your station during the above dates have lasted from nearly half an hour to an hour. While band plans are not mandatory under the Commission’s rules, the Commission depends upon them to minimize the situations in which Commission intervention is required, and they comport with good Amateur practice under our rules. Please review Section 97.101 of the Commission’s rules” -- end quote.

The FCC origionally said that the October 16th letters went out following a review of complaints about the operation of their Amateur stations between September 19th and October 6th. The retraction was issued on Wednesday October 23rd. No reason was given for the withdrawal. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC JUDGE FAVORS SCHOENBOHM'S RETURN TO AMATEUR RADIO

The ARRL reports that an FCC Administrative Law Judge believes the regulatory agency should permit Herbert L. Sahoenbohm to once again hold an Amateur service license. In rendering his decision, Judge Arthur I. Steinberg says that he believes Schoenbohm now appears to hold the requisite character qualifications to be a Commission licensee.

The FCC had designated Schoenbohm's license renewal application for a public hearing. This based on character issues stemming from a 1992 conviction and alleged lack of candor during subsequent FCC hearings on the matter. The former KV4FZ lost his bid to renew his ham ticket in 2000. He applied for a new license in 2001 which lead to the recent recommendation by Judge Steinberg. A final decision on whether or not to re-license Schoenbohm now must be made by the FCC itself. Schoenbohm has also passed an Extra class exam that is also pending. (ARRL, FCC)

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THE INTERNET: DENIAL OF SERVICE ATTACK THWARTED

What investigators are calling a sophisticated and large-scale assault against the World Wide Web has been thwarted . But not before nine of the thirteen servers that manage global Internet traffic were crippled for a short time on Monday October 21st.

The FBI's National Infrastructure Protection Center said that it was aware of the denial of service attack and is addressing this matter. Service was quickly restored after managers put defensive measure in place bringing the attack to a halt. Most Internet users did not even notice the hour long attack whose origin is still not known. (WebNews)

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ON THE WEB: TECH NOTES GOES HIGH TECH

You have hears us credit it here on Amateur Radio Newsline. Now, Larry Bloomfield's broadcast industry publication Tech-Notes is available on the World Wide Web in a new easy-to-read format. Larry has adopted HTML scripting which permits him to publish pictures, logos and diagrams. And you will always have lots about digital and high definition television and much more. You can check it out on-line at www.Tech-Notes.TV. (Tech-Notes, CGC)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: PAUL BLUMHARDT, K5RT, JOINS CQ STAFF

Paul Blumhardt, K5RT, has joined the staff of CQ Communications, Inc. as Director of New Business Development. Blumhardt, of Rowlett, Texas, will oversee efforts to broaden the base and the scope of the company's marketing activities.

According to publisher Dick Ross, K2MGA, Blumhardt has actually been part of the CQ "family" for the past three years, serving in a volunteer capacity as Worked All Zones Award Manager. Blunhardt holds an Extra Class amateur license, a commercial FCC General Radio Operator License and degrees in both engineering and business. Among his personal operating achievements are 5-Band Worked All Zones, 5-Band DXCC, 6-Band Worked All States, and #1 DXCC Honor Roll.

As all of you are aware, CQ Communicatoins publishes magazines, books, videos and other materials for the amateur radio and hobby radio fields. They are also a co-corporate underwriter of the annual Young Ham of he Year Award. (CQ)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

(5 sec pause)

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THE WAR ON TERROR: A BANNER AND A LINK

Pieter Wycoff, KG4UPX, says over the Internet that he has found an important tool that every concerned ham should have on his or her personal website. Wycoff says that the Homeland Security Knowledge Database has a banner that can be posted to any website notifying visitors of the current status of alert to

terrorist threats.

The site also contains lots of other information relevant to homeland security and how you can play a part. You can even sign up to receive threat notification updates by e-mail. To learn more on how you can add this feature to your ham radio website, take your web browser to http://www.twotigersonline.com/resources.html.

And for those not aware, right now the nation is under color code Yellow which indicates an elevated level of alert. (Via Internet)

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CONVENTIONS/HAMFESTS/CONFERENCES: AMSAT IN FT. WORTH IN NOVEMBER

The 20th annual AMSAT Symposium will be held November 8th to the 10th in Fort Worth, TX. The gathering actually kicks off with an Early Arrival Activity on November 7th and ends with the conclusion of the Board of Director's Meeting on the 11th. More information is in cyberspace www.amsat.org. (ANS)

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SATELLITE NEWS: FCC DECLINES TO APPROVE ECHOSTAR-DIRECTV MERGER

The FCC has declined to approve the transfer of licenses from EchoStar Communications Corporation and the Hughes Electronics Corp. subsidiary DirecTV to form a new business entity. The FCC said that the companies did not demonstrated that approval of the transaction will serve the public interest,convenience, and necessity. The complete story is on the web at www.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2002/db1010/DOC-227263A1.doc (CGC)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SOYUZ ACCIDENT SOLVED

A Russian state commission has set October 30th as the launch date for a Soyuz rocket carrying a three-person crew to the International Space Station. The decision was made after investigators determined that it was a probably a production glitch rather than faulty design which led to the October 15th crash of a similar launch vehicle.

For a while, it appeared that ham radio operations and everything else on the International Space Station might come to a grinding halt. Russia had threatened to suspend resupply launces following the mishap with the unmanned Soyuz ship which exploded seconds after liftoff, killing one person on the ground and injuring 20 others.

Such a delay would have had a devastating effect of future habitation of the space station. This is because the current emergency evacuation lifeboat vehicle is fast approaching the date on which it must be replaced. Only a Soyuz launcher can carry the replacement lifeboat to the ISS. If the Soyuz launchers had been kept on the ground, operations on the ISS might have been suspended. Thankfully, that wont be the case. (Published news reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - RUSSIA: HELP LETTER MAY BE PHONY

A electronic letter purportedly from a Russian ham asking for financial assistance may be a phony. Then again, maybe not.

The letter showed up in hams mail boxes and on the numerous Internet news groups beginning on October 18th. Signed by a person calling himself Valentin, the note asks for donations of money and other gear. What has made many suspicious is that the writer never gives his call sign and does not use any ham radio terminology.

A number of people believe that the letter was actually sent by a spam-mail generating company or someone with a program that harvests e-mail addresses from the World Wide Web and generates automatic e-mail to them. There is even some speculation that the message did not come from Russia as the note itself claims.

Then comes a posting to the QCWA remailer from Lee Manning AK7T. Manning says that he e-mailed the writer of the message. Valentin replied that his callsign is RA3XAA. According to international call sign listings, RA3XAA belongs to Valentin Mikhaylin in Kaluga Russia. We have e-mailed him and are waiting to find out if he is the person who issued the letter and how he was able to get so many e-mail addresses of United States hams.

Meantime you might want to keep in mind two words. Caviat Emptor. Buyer -- or in this case -- giver beware. (QCWA Remailer, others)

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INTERNATIONAL - THE NETHERLANDS: AUCTIONS NOT MANDATORY

Media Network says that a judge in Rotterdam has ruled that the next Dutch government will not be required to auction the commercial radio frequencies to the highest bidders. The ruling on Friday October 11th will impact on future spectrum auctions in that nation. (Media Network)

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DX

In DX, GB2EVR is a new permanent special event operation for the Eden Valley Railway in the U-K. The station is located at the Warcop railway station, six miles east of Appleby-in-Westmorland, Cumbria. (GB2RS)

Also, JA2ZL will be active as F0/JA2ZL from Morea Island in French Polynesia from the 30th of October to 2nd of November. He plans to operate on 40 to 10 meters mainly SSB, with some CW and RTTY. (GB2RS)

And a milliwatt Beacon is on the air on 11 meters from Northern California. AOH is at the top of a very high mountain and operates under FCC rules part 15. This is the same as child walkie-talkie and can be heard on 27.125 MHz. The Beacon is on the air trying to make a point you don't need 20 kilowatts to DX. If you hear it, QSL to aoh@ computermail.net (APC News)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: INNOVATION IN AMATEUR RADIO REWARDED

And finally this week, a big honor for a deserving ham. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, has the details:

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Brad Phillips ZS5BP has been rewarded for his innovation in Amateur Radio. This by being named to receive the South African Radio Amateur of the Year Award.

Phillips received the honor for his work in introducing the Internet Repeater Linking Project – or IRLP to that nation. South Africa Radio League President Sid Tyler congratulated Phillips on his achievements saying that IRLP is as much part of amateur radio as is HF.

But that’s not all. The award itself says that IRLP offers new opportunities for the development of the amateur radio service in South Africa. This is because it brings amateur radio within the reach of young people in schools and the older generation who, after retirement, often do not have access to High Frequency stations or other ham gear of their own. Phillips work brings ham radio to both.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA.

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The South African Radio Amateur of the Year Award is sponsored by Siemens. Its given annually by the South African Amateur Radio Development Trust to a ham radio operator who has made a major contribution to the Amateur service. (SARL)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, Mert Garlick, N6AWE, saying 73 and we thank you for listening. Amateur Radio Newsline™ is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1537. Looking for article in May 1950 QST

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 05:45:30 UTC
From: JJ&A <w7ls@blarg.net>
Message-ID: <3DBCCEFA.F33DE722@blarg.net>
Source record: 3570

Can someone scan the article in May 1950 QST on aluminum anodizing and coloring, please? Several of us are trying to touch up some old radios. Thanks. Jim

1538. MOTOROLA SPECTRA PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 06:13:07 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <gblpru4k8co5fabcmpncl6d6p4lms590a7@4ax.com>
Source record: 3573

MOTOROLA SPECTRA PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product, mates to SPECTRA PROGRAMMING connector and DB25 to RIB. Also has fused power cable and speaker cable. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1539. MOTOROLA SYNTOR X-9000 PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 06:13:54 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <0dlpru864dumt057qtr88rbg33e2srh63s@4ax.com>
Source record: 3571

MOTOROLA SYNTOR X-9000 PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n 0180353a75, mates to SYNTOR X-9000 radio
drawer unit (goes in series with control cable) and DB25 connector.
Like new. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message
to dt0124@comcast.net

1540. MOTOROLA SABER PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 06:14:16 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ldlprucu86bdqtc5mjv15ehmc5g1l9qk16@4ax.com>
Source record: 3572

MOTOROLA SABER PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n RTK4203A, mates to side port on SABERT portable, DB25 connector, and also has BNC connector and round 12 pin connector for metering test set. Includes data sheet with wiring diragram and parts list. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1541. MOTOROLA MAXTRAC PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 06:14:38 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <belprukjm4ik562ldcqgf2eiqikg3n5oie@4ax.com>
Source record: 3574

MOTOROLA MAXTRAC PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n 30-80070n01, mates to MAXTRAC mic
connector and DB25 to RIB. Has junction box which includes BNC
connector for use with test set. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS.
Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1542. MOTOROLA HT50/P100 CLONING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 06:14:55 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <telpruofci0r8qltoupug9mrrk55tuprlo@4ax.com>
Source record: 3576

MOTOROLA HT50/P100 CLONING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n RTK4209a, mates to two HT-50 or P-100 portables (replaces batteries) and permits cloning of radio personalities between radios. Also includes fused DC power cable with connector to power supply. Like new. $40 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1543. MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 CLONING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 06:15:18 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <iflpru0hphs8u65qcevolnskujtulldsp0@4ax.com>
Source record: 3579

MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 CLONING CABLE
Original Motorola product, mates to accessory ports on JEDI HT1000, MT2000, MTS2000 portables, allows cloning radio personalities from one radio to another. Like new but has one bent pin on one connector...works, but you have to be careful when you mate the pins and secure the connector. $30 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1544. MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 PROGRAMMING CABLE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 06:15:57 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <rglpru813ejrj7hrtr8udb2c8ub81f2oit@4ax.com>
Source record: 3575

MOTOROLA JEDI HT1000/MT2000/MTS2000 PROGRAMMING CABLE
Original Motorola product p/n RKN4035A, mates to side port on HT1000, MT2000, MTS2000, DB25 connector, and also has round 12 pin connector for metering test set. New. $75 shipped anywhere CONUS. Respond and attach this message to dt0124@comcast.net

1545. Re: Power Supply Fan Noise

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-28 17:33:57 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3dbd73d3.21456903@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3580

On Mon, 28 Oct 2002 00:16:20 +0200, "Deos" <lineoffiretoday@yahoo.com>
wrote:

>a) try oiling it a bit
>b) change the fan with a new one
>c) drop the fans speed
>
Some of this is inevitable.

In industry, noisy things are often placed in a service chase or well vented closet, to keep heat and noise away from the work area. Perhaps you can find a way to remote your PS to a basement, and run some conduit and large enough wiring to your shack. For wires inside the walls, check with your local electrical code, as you are talking big amperage.

Is is the air/fan noise, or is it vibration of the unit on the floor? Try putting some closed cell foam under the little feet.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1546. Stolen Ham Gear Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-29 11:25:40 UTC
From: google@itsbeenstolen.com
Message-ID: <2e2ad5c7.0210290325.2a8b0d91@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3581

I thought you might like to know about the stolen ham radio database
on http://ItsBeenStolen.com you can view it directly here
http://itsbeenstolen.com/webring/lost_stolen_hamgear.asp as well
as post details of your stolen gear, its free to use and supported by
donations.

Steve

1547. Kenwood TS-680S HF+6 Meter for SALE! (reduced)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-29 15:11:49 UTC
From: Tony <n5gpi@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <Vyxv9.3887$wN4.1714@newssvr19.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3582
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

In very nice cond. HF (160-10+) and 6 Meters w/General coverage 100w HF,10w+
6Meters w/mic and power cord. Will also trade outright for a TS-50 in
good cond. or looking to get $475.00 + shipping from 78257 (San Antonio, Tx)

N5GPI

1548. Needed: Bearcat 10.8 IF Scanner Crystals

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-30 07:24:56 UTC
From: "Buford T. Justice" <BTJustice@gmx.net.no.spam>
Message-ID: <bPLv9.40$CR7c.12910654@news2.randori.com>
Source record: 3583
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb

I need the following listening frequencies for my Bearcat III scanner...

155.415
153.980
157.450
155.340
155.055
39.500
162.400
159.210
453.250

If you have more than one of the above, please let me know as I might also restore another Bearcat III and a Bearcat IV. I would like to trade or buy cheaply. I have the following 10.8 IF Bearcat crystals (listening frequencies) for trade...

33.940
33.940
39.780
39.820
45.220
46.380
154.250
154.860
155.010
155.085
155.100
155.250
155.250
155.595
159.090
159.890
162.475
453.500

Thanks,
BTJustice

1549. FS: Old Amateur Radio Magazines and More

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-30 16:22:15 UTC
From: Jeff Chase <jchase@coe.neu.edu>
Message-ID: <XGTv9.14599$FS5.731@nwrddc04.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3584

I have old QST Magazines from early 70's, 60's, and possiblely earlier.

Also have a few Amatuer Radio Handbooks (1968, etc)

The Radio Amateurs Journal from early 70's, 60's, and possiblely earlier.

Have a Antenna Relay Unit BC-442 AM manu by Colonial Radio Corp for the Army
(Not sure of working cond.)

IC Active Filter-QF1 - Manu Autek Research (Not sure of working cond.)

Philmore Junior Microphone in Box (Not sure of working cond.)

Also have a bunch of vacuum tubes and electron tubes, pretty sure they do
not work (look blown)

Location: North of Boston, MA

Email me,

Can email pictures if you want to see the stuff

1550. Re: FRENCH manual for a FT 100 D

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-30 20:16:35 UTC
From: ON5MJ <on5mjREMOVE@skynet.be>
Message-ID: <3dc0400f$0$4274$ba620e4c@news.skynet.be>
Source record: 3585

If you have it in english maybe I can help.

73 de ON5MJ

1551. WANTED: Bearcat III / IV Scanner Crystals (USED)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-30 21:44:59 UTC
From: "Buford T. Justice" <BTJustice@gmx.net.no.spam>
Message-ID: <tpYv9.76$CR7c.26607692@news2.randori.com>
Source record: 3586
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.swap

I have been DESPERATELY looking for 10.8 IF crystals for my Bearcat III scanner. I need the following listening frequencies...

155.415
153.980
157.450
155.340
155.055
39.500
162.400
159.210
453.250

I suppose 10.7 IF crystals would work in it if I used...

155.315
153.880
157.350
155.240
154.955
39.600
162.300
159.110
453.150

I would either like to trade 1 for 1 with crystals I have now that I cannot use in my area or buy cheaply.

Sincerely,
BTJustice

1552. Have a question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-31 04:53:09 UTC
From: j-winters <j-winters@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <VG2w9.183700$%d2.64437@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 3587

I am trying to use an auto patch and the system says to press * and Unkey
what is Unkey?

1553. Re: Have a question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-31 11:54:45 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3DC11A05.B1678001@rac.ca>
Source record: 3588

Press "transmit" hold it on .
Press "*"
Un-key transmit (ie let go of it)

73
Peter
VA3PKH

j-winters wrote:

> I am trying to use an auto patch and the system says to press * and Unkey
> what is Unkey?

1554. HF rig, 2 meter amp, handhelds and more gear for sale/trade!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-31 18:26:04 UTC
From: Tony <as8383@netzero.net>
Message-ID: <0Bew9.250226$Fw2.7197850@twister.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 3589
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.marketplace,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap

Have the following items for sale or trade:

Kenwood TS-680S HF + 6 Meter Rig - All modes, all bands, full coverage
$475.00

MFJ 1278T (Turbo w/2400 Baud modem) VHF, HF all mode, Packet, Amtor, Rtty,
Cw, Fax and more w/cables no power supply (uses 12v DC).
$75.00

Icom HM-14 Touch tone hand mike w/no connector (works on any rig w/8v
supply, Kenwood, Icom, Yaesu ect.)
$50.00

Kenwood SP-120 matching speaker for 120/130/140/430/440/450/680 etc rigs
$50.00

Radio Shack HXT-202 2 meter handheld w/no so great Icom BP-8 battery (radio
used very little, excellent cond)
$80.00

BC-350 Icom quick desktop charger for BP and Super BP series batteries
$40.00

IC-U12 Commercial UHF handheld in non-working cond. had touch tone pad etc.
(no idea what it does & don't want to waste time finding out)
$15.00

Diamond HomeFree 802.11 wireless cards - One PCMCIA and Two ISA cards,
perfect cond. upgraded to Cisco aironet and don't need these.
$25.00 for ALL three cards!

IBM type 4707 (10"??) VGA monochrome monitor in excellent cond. Great for
tight spaces and communications use (cw, rtty, packet etc.) VGA modes upto
640x480
$50.00

RF Concepts VHF Amplifier model 2-315, rated at 20 in, 150 out and 40 in
170+ watts out, great amp. GasFet preamplifier in excellent cond., used very
little and bought new.
$250.00

Considering trades on some items for the following:

Icom IC-706 MK II G
Alinco DX70TH
or something on that line...

Also looking for a 10 meter mobile like a Magnum 257, RS HTX-10, or one of those clones like those rigs

Shipping for 78258 extra...

N5GPI

1555. Re: Power Supply Fan Noise

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-31 22:24:50 UTC
From: splanky <splanky@splancus.net>
Message-ID: <S4iw9.180569$md1.41069@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3590

Thanks for all the suggestions. My shack is in a small room, on a small desk so there is no room to relocate the power supply.

The noise was both the fan itself, and the air movement. I made an executive decision to return the power supply and pay the restocking fee; the noise bothered me that much. In my view, a power supply - like a spouse - is for life. Both should be strong, reliable and quiet. My wife is; my power supply isn't.

Actually, I wimped out. I had a 7/5 amp Astron power supply that I used to power a 50 watt 2m mobile rig indoors. I hooked it up to my new Kenwood TS-570DG and it let me run 15 watts on both CW and PSK. I've been having a ball with QRP. The first weekend I worked 15 states and 24 countries on 80-10m with a 80m dipole fed with ladder line. No one will accuse me of dominating the frequency, but no one will accuse me of not having fun, either.

I may get an Astron eventually, but for now 5-15 watts does the job.

1556. Amateur Discussion Groups

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-10-31 23:23:34 UTC
From: jdavecobb@aol.comatose
Message-ID: <20021031182334.12851.00001696@mb-fk.aol.com>
Source record: 3591

Where can I find a few of the more active discussion groups on Ham Radio?

1557. Re: Amateur Discussion Groups

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-01 17:39:07 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <%_yw9.199844$qM2.66079@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3592

Always a good one: http://www.eham.net/

"No Junk" <jdavecobb@aol.comatose> wrote in message
news:20021031182334.12851.00001696@mb-fk.aol.com...
> Where can I find a few of the more active discussion groups on Ham Radio?

1558. PA by DL7YC

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-01 20:19:45 UTC
From: Bizon <bizongod@poczta.fm>
Message-ID: <aq3o57$58s$3@news.tpi.pl>
Source record: 3450

Hi!
I'm looking for description of PA on
70cm on 4CX250 by DL7YC. It has
been in DUBUS 4/1979.

Thanks for help
Charls SQ2YD

1559. Pattern of *Tri-Di-Pole*+++

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-02 17:19:30 UTC
From: wa8mea@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <8a260fb2.0211020919.1d04a7f@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3593
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.antenna,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.dx

Could use some help from some of our more technically minded antenna buffs.

Several years back, I came up with a general use dipole for SWL's that I named the "Tri-Di-Pole". The "Tri" meant a third wire element connected to the ground side of the dipole at the appex, with this wire running straight done to be connected to a ground rod. This was invented more for practicality purposes, so SWL's didn't have to fiddle with ground wires soldered to those tiny little external antenna phone plugs that are in common use for most portable shortwave radios.

But over the years, several hams have called me about using this same antenna for transmitting. To be honest, I've never tried it for transmit. I just don't have the real estate to experiment with it. But now I'm curious, how well would it work for transmitting purposes?

My devices are born more out of a practical design than technical. I freely admit I'm not all that antenna theory book smart. My questions: What kind of a pattern would this antenna have? Would the take off angle make it highly suitable for DX on certain freq bands? And what would I have to trim? Just the two standard dipole elements? Or would I also have to trim the third ground element? Anybody ever try such a design for transmit and on what freqs?

Thanks for any/all input.

73, Bill Lauterbach - WA8MEA
DWM Communications

http://qth.com/dwm

wa8mea@hotmail.com

1560. Re: Amateur Discussion Groups

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-02 23:26:56 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3DC45F40.2C94BE9D@rac.ca>
Source record: 3594

Try Yahoo Groups
http://groups.yahoo.com/

No Junk wrote:

> Where can I find a few of the more active discussion groups on Ham Radio?

1561. Re: WANTED: Bearcat III / IV Scanner Crystals (USED)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-02 23:42:43 UTC
From: 0880@iname.com
Message-ID: <700e61c7.0211021542.1e01014@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3595
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.swap

If all else fails you can try http://www.iinc.com/ggcomm/repinfo.html

"Buford T. Justice" <BTJustice@gmx.net.no.spam> wrote in message
news:<tpYv9.76$CR7c.26607692@news2.randori.com>...
> I have been DESPERATELY looking for 10.8 IF crystals for my Bearcat III
> scanner. I need the following listening frequencies...
>
> 155.415
> 153.980
> 157.450
> 155.340
> 155.055
> 39.500
> 162.400
> 159.210
> 453.250
>
> I suppose 10.7 IF crystals would work in it if I used...
>
> 155.315
> 153.880
> 157.350
> 155.240
> 154.955
> 39.600
> 162.300
> 159.110
> 453.150
>
> I would either like to trade 1 for 1 with crystals I have now that I cannot
> use in my area or buy cheaply.
>
> Sincerely,
> BTJustice

1562. Fat Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-03 16:43:31 UTC
From: audiotest3@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021103114331.02528.00001121@mb-df.aol.com>
Source record: 3596

Ham Radio operators tend to be fat, in a greater percentage than the general population. One just has to attend a random Hamfest and this would confirm this.

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Are you a FAT HAM? Calculate your BMI! (Body Mass Index) Divide your weight in Kilograms by your height in metres squared. eg. BMI 100/(1.8 x 1.8) = 30.86

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Here another quote. "I was amazed when I found out how big I'd become - 130kg! Most likely due to lots of sitting around operating and listening on the radio, so I did some research and was quite suprised that I will need to lose around 50 kilograms to get back to a normal weight. I haven't weighed that since high school! But I have gone on a diet and am now getting regular exersize (I'm

walking 4 km a day at the moment) If your not careful, Ham radio can be hazardous to you health! (apologies to the fit hams out there!) Cheers!"

1563. Re: Fat Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-03 17:11:37 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3dc55818.16682508@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3598

On Sun, 03 Nov 2002 17:48:27 GMT, "Dee D. Flint"
<dee.hays@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

>Please keep in mind that this simple calculation does not take into account
>percent body fat. The body builders for example would come out "fat" on
>this calculation yet many have a percent body fat that puts them in the lean
>category. This calculation is, at best, a rough guide.
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>Dee Flint, N8UZE
>
Also, Americans in general are overweight and underactive. Many people
(self included) would be better off by getting more exercise and
losing weight.

Talk to your primary care physician. I am sure he or she would
recommend weight loss for many of their patients, and have a list of
reasons why.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1564. Re: Fat Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-03 17:32:18 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <C4dx9.71464$C53.3789146@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3599

Go to URL:
http://www.adrenalineadventures.net/news/330.html
And find nearly 20% of americans are obese
QUOTE:The 2000 national obesity average of 19.8 percent is up from 12 percent in 1991, according to a government survey. Twenty-two states had a rate last year of 20 percent or higher, while no state had a rate that high in 1991, the authors said in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

According to the statistics you quoted only 18% of hams owned up to obesity -- less than the national average !!!!!!

So why would you single out Amateur Radio Operators ???

Besides what the hell difference does it make ???

Take your generalizations to rec.obese.overweight -- perhaps

Rod 6'1" 71 years old and 195 lbs.

This kind of uninformed post places a bad rap on Amateur Radio -- why do you want to do this ????
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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
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1566. ARNewsline 1316 - Nov 1 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-04 09:01:59 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021104040159.25874.00003723@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 3451

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1316 – November 1, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1316 with a release date of Friday, November 1st, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T.

A child is saved thanks to C-B radio in Australia and Ireland opts to restructure with slow-code. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1316 coming your way right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: CB HELPS SAVE HAM RADIO OPERATORS DAUGHTER’S LIFE

The daughter of a ham radio operator is alive after he to turns to C-B radio for help. It happened down-under in Australia as we hear from Q-News Graham Kemp, V-K-4-B-B:

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Recently on holiday at Finley, S. NSW, Eric VK2TRD's daughter Tegan, 12, had a very narrow escape, after she was bitten twice by a Tiger Snake! After emergency treatment at Finley Hospital she was transferred by Ambulance to Shepparton, Vic.

Travelling to Shepparton Eric called five times on the 2m repeater seeking guidance to the Hospital, no response. Disgusted, he called on the UHF CB repeater and got instant help.

Over 6 days there, nothing was heard on the repeater but the ident., and that was when Eric fired it up. On 2m simplex, only 2 farmers using it as an intercom, no c/s's.

Tegan, that night suffered cardiac respiratory arrest and was in intensive care for two days. Now at home she is doing OK. A traumatic time for all.

For the Amateur Radio Nrewsline, I’M graham Kemp, VK4BB of Q-News Australia.
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Once the ordeal was over, VK2TRD paused to thank all who helped in his daughters rescue. This included the Shepparton CB’ers for their immediate response.

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RESTRUCTURING: IARU REGION I MEETS NOV 10

The International Amateur Radio Union Region 1 Conference is slated for the tiny nation of San Marino beginning on November 10th. And according to the W5YI Report's Fred Maia, it could be a rather hot meeting. The reason -- two words: Morse code.

Writing in the November 1st issue of his newsletter, Maia says that the subject of Morse proficiency testing among those serving on the High Frequency Committee is shaping up to be controversial. On one side are two giants. Germany's Deutscher Amateur Radio Club and the Union of Russian Radio Amateurs are two national societies who are already on record as opposing dropping Morse testing as an international requirement.

Leading the charge to eliminate manual telegraphy tests is the Radio Society of Great Britain. It says that Region 1 if the International Amateur Radio Union should formally endorse the October 2001 resolution of the IARU Administrative Council in respect to abolishing mandatory Morse exams.

Both the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club and the RSGB have submitted well crafted conference documents stating their respective positions. How this will all work out will be known at the close of the conference on November 15th.

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RESTRUCTURING: IRELAND ADOPTS 5 WPM

Meantime, restructuring and slow code have come to Ireland. Amateur Radio Newsline's Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has the details:

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According to Echo Ireland, that's the journal of the Irish Radio Transmitters Society, a set of new amateur radio regulations were signed into law by the Regulator in the Republic of Ireland on September 11th. The newws is just getting out and the main points of the new regulations governing ham radio are as follows.

First, the Morse code test speed has been reduced to 5 words per minute to bring it in line with whats become the defacto world wide standard. More important, that there is no longer any age restriction on a persoin getting an Irish ham radio license. This means that anyone -- any age in Ireland can brccome a ham. And up until now, there had been a probationary period of a year before a Full Licence could be issued. Now, thats gone too.

On the technical side, the maximum power permitted on each band is now listed in decibles per watt R-M-S at the output of the transmitter. This is good news because it effectively allows a power increase for Irish amateurs. The old regulations specified that limits were regarded as input power rather than measured at the R-F output jack.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.
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We will have more news from around the world later on in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline report.

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Amador County Amateur Radio Club Net serving Pine Grove California.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: YOU CANT USE THOSE RADIOS ON FIRE CHANNELS

Back on this side of the Atlantic, the FCC has told a fire department to stop using illegally modified ham radio gear. The FCC's Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, explains:

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Duckworth: "The Enforcement Bureau has notified the Bon Secour Fire and Rescue Department in Alabama that the Amateur equipment they were using was contrary to Commission rules because it had been modified to operate on Public Safety frequencies. The letter referred to several Icom IC-V8 handie talkies."
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The note went to Karl Bingert who is the Chief Bon Secour Fire & Rescue Department. It told him that the use of Amateur Radio units of any kind, modified to operate on its frequencies, is against the Commission's rules and would result in enforcement action by the FCC. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC BACKS REPEATER OWNERS BAN OF UNWANTED USER

The FCC is once again backing up a repeater operator who wants to ban a particular user from the system. Its all taking place in Ohio. Again, the FCC's Daryl Duckworth tells us about the situation and the agency's position in favor of the people running the machine:

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Duckworth: "The Enforcement Bureau sent a Warning Notice to Billy R. Marshall, N8ORF, warning him to stay off of the W8HFF repeater system in the Toledo Ohio area. The Toledo Mobile Radio Association had issued two letters to Marshall requesting him to stay off the repeater due to his failure to follow operational rules.

The Enforcement Bureau reminded Marshall that control operators may take whatever steps are necessary to insure complience with the rules and that they will be backed up by the Commission"
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Marshall was given 20 days from the date of receipt of the FCC letter to reply and outline what steps he has taken to comply. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: PHONE COMPANIES FINED

Two companies have learned the expensive way that it does not pay to try to grab another telephone company’s customers. This, as the FCC issues two Notices of Apparent Liability proposing a total of $6,560,000 in fines against two operator service providers for taking advantage of consumers.

The companies named are Opticom Corporation and ASC. The FCC says that the massive fines are based on Opticom apparent sixty-four violations, and another eighteen apparent by ASC. The term apparent is the FCC’s way of alleging a violation has taken place. The Commission says that it calculated the proposed fines by using the $80,000 per violation amount previously used in cases involving egregious slamming. Take your browser over to http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-226534A1.doc to learn more. (FCC)

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RESCUE RADIO: EMCOM SUSPENDS NATIONAL EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

EMCOM -- the emergency alerting system has suspended its the National Emergency Alert Notification System operations effective October 25th. Our producer, Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the nitty-gritty:

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In making the announcement, EMCOM officials said that what they term as a stand-down also affects the Emergency Information Web Sites maintained by EMCOM for every state, county and municipality in the nation. Also impacted are over 1 million other web pages that reportedly utilized the automatically updated EMCOM Homeland Security Status Bar or the PubAlert notification bulletin pop-up system.

By way of background, for the first six months after the 9/11 tragedy, EMCOM offered to provide access to full use of the system to any community's emergency agencies for $500 per month. During that period there were no takers, even though EMCOM had notified almost every senator, representative, and agency in the nations capital.

So the bottom line is this: The EMCOM alert system is dead for now but hopefully not gone forever.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.
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In making the announcement, EMCOM took the opportunity to express its gratitude to the hams, ARES and RACES operators who helped to get the system off the ground.

More about EMCOM is on the web at www.comdinet.com/emcom (EMCOM release)

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RESCUE RADIO: SKYWARN RECOGNITION DAY

On a more positive note, Larry Boyd, KB4GFT says in an Internet posting that The 2002 SKYWARN Recognition Day will occur on Saturday December 7th. It will begin at 00:00 UTC and run for 24 hours.

SKYWARN Recognition Day was created in 1999 by the National Weather Service and the American Radio Relay League. It honors the contributions that volunteer SKYWARN radio operators make to the National Weather Service.

Last year 80 National Weather Service offices participated. The list of this years participants and other information is on the web at hamradio.noaa.gov (KB4GFT)

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RADIO RULES: RULES REWRITE ON MEDIA CONSOLIDATION

The Federal Communications Commission has embarked on a major rewrite of rules that limit the consolidation of media companies. The overhaul, which FCC officials first announced in June, is likely to conclude by the middle of next year when the agency issues final rules.

Many observers expect the agency to relax the current media ownership restrictions, although FCC officials stressed during a recent meeting that they had not reached any conclusions. The FCC is seeking comment on whether it should keep or change six specific media consolidation rules, including bans on common ownership of a newspaper and television station or television and radio stations in the same media market, as well as a limit on the percentage of the national audience that any station may reach.

Many of the rules were written decades ago before cable and satellite-based television and the Internet. The proceeding is being conducted under a statute that requires the FCC to periodically review its rules to determine whether they remain in the public interest. (FCC)

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COMMUNICATIONS LAW: JUDGE THROWS OUT PAY AS YOU CLICK CASE

Its a big court win for all of us. This as a federal court says no to a law suit that could have cost all of us a lot of dollars as we clicked our way across the World Wide Web. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the details:

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U.S. District Judge Colleen McMahon has rejected a claim by the B-T Group that it owns the patent on those single-click hyperlinks that make the Web what it is. It’s lawsuit accused Internet service provider Prodigy Communications Corp., of infringing on the B-T patent.

But Judge McMahon rejected the claim that each Web server on the Internet is a central computer and thus the Internet falls within the patent's scope. Her decision, filed in a White Plains, New York Federal Court concluded that no jury could find that Prodigy infringes on the B-T patent.

The B-T suit had been viewed as a test case that could have opened the door for the company to challenge other Internet service providers and demand licensing fees. These fees could have added a lot to the annual cost of anyone surfing the net.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.
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With the potential of billions of dollars at stake, its not known if B-T Group will appeal the judges decision or re-file the case. (Published news reports)

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HAM RADIO TRAINING: AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE GUIDE – THE PROGRAM

Stuart Cole, N5LBZed, tells us by e-mail about a computer program that he has just finished writing. Its called "Amateur Radio License Guide" and is a modern update of the DOS version that he brought out back in 1999.

According to Cole, the program is based on the official ham radio question pool, is divided into three sections and does cover training all classes of license. More information is in cybrspace at http://cableone.net/sacole/ (N5LBZ)

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THE WORLD ABOVE 50 MHZ: WRITER ASKS YOUR HELP

Gene Zimmerman, W3ZZ, says over the VHF Reflector that his next World Above 50 MHz column in QST Magazine will include a discussion of VHF+ clubs and groups. This refers to weak signal groups that meet regularly, VHF groups that sponsor annual conferences like Central States VHF Society, contest groups and others interested in the non-repeater world of VHF and UHF communications.

Gene says that he has already mined a lot of data from Internet sites but I would like his information to be accurate and up to date. He has identified the PackRats; the Rochester VHF Group, the South East V-H-F Society and about a dozen others as falling into this category. He asks that anyone connected with these groups please contact him by e-mail to confirm the information he already has. He also wants a person or point of contact to send readers to if someone wishes to find out more information about how to particular group. Gene’s e-mail is w3zz@arrl.org. (VHF Reflector)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: AM MODULATION IMPROVEMENT ANNOUNCED

A new modulation technique for AM broadcasting is being promoted by broadcast industry pioneer Mike Dorrough, KO6NM. Dorrough claims the Advanced Modulation System can increase carrier modulation to 200% while improving the performance, range and sound quality of Amplitude Modulated radio.

According to the CGC Communicator, KO6NM recently discussed the system at an SBE meeting in Sacramento and plans other presentations.

Ross du Clair, WA6VWY is the Chief Engineer for Clear Channel in Sacramento. He attended the Sacramento meeting and is quoted in Radio World On-Line as saying, "This is real and it does work."

As previously reported, Mike Dorrough was the recipient of the National Association of Broadcasters Radio Engineering Achievement Award in 2000. This, for his contributions to audio processing and signal monitoring. Details of the new Advanced Modulation System will appear in an upcoming issue of Radio World magazine. (CGC Communicator)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: PERSONAL LOCATORS FOR KIDS

In the wake of multiple child abductions, parents are turning to satellite-based locator bracelets to track their children. The bracelets carry transponders that will permit parents keeps tabs on their kids over via the Internet or by telephone.

Wherify Wireless plans to release its three-ounce G-P-S equipped Personal Locators next month. The device uses satellite and cellular technology and has a built-in numeric pager. It allows the wearer to contact an emergency law enforcement service in worst-case scenarios

Each unit costs 400 dollars and is accompanied by about 30 dollars in service fees. Experts on missing children warn such devices are not foolproof and could give parents a false sense of security. Still many parents are willing to try the locators a try. (Scienceonline)

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RADIO IN SPACE: SOYUZ FLIES AGAIN

Some good news for the astro-ham team on board the International Space Station. The Soyuz rockets are flying again.

On Wednesday October 30th a manned Soyuz rocket with three cosmonauts on board blasted off from Russia's Baikonur cosmodrome bound for I-S-S. The Soyuz-TMA booster rocket lifted as planned at 03:11 GMT with no reported malfunction on its way to orbit.

As reported last week, the launch of this Soyuz was delayed after the fatal crash of a similar design unmanned cargo rocket October 15th. During this Soyuz 12-day mission, the Russian and Belgian crew will replace a rescue capsule docked at the ISS. (Published reports)

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CONVENTIONS/HAMFESTS/CONFERENCES: MARTLESHAM MICROWAVE IN NOVEMBER

Turning to the ham radio conference scene, work that the Martlesham Microwave Round Table 2002 will be held this year at Adastral Park, Martlesham Heath, England. The dates are Saturday the 9th and Sunday the 10th of November.

Highlights include a visit to the Royal Air Force's Defense Radar Museum at R-A-F in Neatishead and an evening dinner in Ipswich. All of this plus the usual flea market, lectures and the UK Microwave Group Annual General Meeting. For ore information e-mail g3xdy@btinternet.com (GB2RS)

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CONVENTIONS/HAMFESTS/CONFERENCES: EUROPEAN RADIO SYMPOSIYUM IN BARCELONA

The 2002 European Radio Symposium is slated for November 13th in Barcelona, Spain. Convergence, digitization and electronic audience measurement will be key topics tackled in this symposium. Speakers include David Rogerson of Strategic Media Solutions. (Media Network)

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CONVENTIONS/HAMFESTS/CONFERENCES: BIG TURNOUT FOR ARRL/TAPR DCC

According to a recent ARRL Letter over a hundred the worlds most active Amateur Radio digital enthusiasts turned up in Denver, Colorado, September 13th to the 15. This, for the 2002 joint ARRL and TAPR Digital Communications Conference.

This marked the 21st such Digital Communications Conference held. The agenda ranged from Automatic Position Reporting System topics to high-speed digital networking and software-defined radio. All agree it was well worth the trouble of traveling to the mile-high city to attend. (ARRL)

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DX

In D-X, word that 3D2AG, will be working on Rapa Island through the 28th of November. He plans to operate as FO5RK on CW and SSB. This, during his late afternoon, nighttime and early morning hours. Rapa is part of the Austral Island group. (RSGB)

And SMZ0WKA is in Cuba until the 10th of November and is active as T48W. Look for him on 160 through to 6 meters, with an emphasis on the lower bands. QSL this one as directed on the air. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: W6XYZ/KTLA AT 60

And finally this week, one of the nations pioneering television stations is in the midst of celebrating its 60th anniversary. That station is KTLA television in Los Angeles. And almost from its inception, ham radio has played a role in its success. Roy Neal, K6DUE, takes a look at KTLA and some of the hams who helped it to make history:

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DATELINE "HOLLYWOOD." ON A HIGH AND WINDY HILL, OVERLOOKING THE FAMOUS DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES, IN GIANT BLOCK LETTERS, THERES A SIGN THAT READS HOLLYWOOD. AT THE TOP OF THE HILL, THERE'S ALSO A RADIO TOWER WITH A HISTORY. THAT'S THE SITE OF THE FIRST TELEVISION STATION WEST OF THE

MISSISSIPPI.

IT WENT ON THE AIR IN SEPTEMBER OF 1942 AS W6XYZ, AN XPERIMENTAL TELEVISION STATION WITH STUDIOS ON THE PARAMOUNT FILM LOT. IN OCTOBER OF 1942. THE STATION EVEN BROADCAST INSIDE A MOTION PICTURE STUDIO, FEATURING THE MOVIE "THIS GUN FOR HIRE."

BY 1946, W6XYZ WAS GONE, REPLACED BY THE CALL KTLA. THE GUIDING GENIUS BEHIND THE STATION WAS KLAUS LANDSBERG, WHO CAME TO THE UNITED STATES AFTER ESCAPING FROM NAZI GERMANY. IN THE LANDSBERG BOOK, NOTHING WAS IMPOSSIBLE. SO KTLA RACKED UP AN IMPRESSIVE LIST OF FIRSTS WHILE PIONEERING TELEVISION.

ON THE FIRST OF JANUARY, 1946, THEY BROADCAST THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE…LIVE. IN 1955, KTLA BECAME THE FIRST LOS ANGELES STATION TO BROADCAST THE PARADE IN COLOR.

IN MAY OF 1952, LANDSBERG DROPPED RELAY STATIONS ON MOUNTAIN TOPS TO BEAM AN ATOMIC BOMB TEST FROM NEVADA TO LOS ANGELES. HE CALLED IT OPERATION BIG SHOT.

AND IN MAY OF 1958, BUYING EQUIPMENT FROM NBC, KTLA WENT ON THE AIR WITH ITS TELECOPTER…A HELICOPTER EQUIPPED TO COVER LOS ANGELES FROM THE AIR!

ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR SHOWS LANDSBERG PRODUCED WAS LAWRENCE WELK, A PROGRAM THAT STILL EXISTS IN SYNDICATION.

MANY OF THE STATION'S ENGINEERING STAFF WERE RADIO AMATEURS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE INVENTOR OF THE HAM RADIO REPEATER, THE LATE ART GENTRY, W6MEP. THIS REPORTER REMEMBERS MANY FUN TIMES WHILE TALKING WITH THE AVUNCULAR MR. GENTRY FROM THE REPEATER SITE ONCE OCCUPIED BY W6XYZ.

IN 1964, FILM AND TV STAR GENE AUTRY BOUGHT THE STATION AND AMONG THE ENGINEERS HE BROUGHT IN WAS LOYD SIGMON, W6LQ. "SIG" IS PROBABLY BEST KNOWN AS THE FATHER OF THE SIGALERT TRAFFIC MONITORING AND PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM.

W6LQ AND W6MEP WERE TWO OF THE BETTER KNOWN HAMS WHO HELPED KTLA AS THE STATION PIONEERED EARLY DAY TELEVISION UNDER THE GUIDING AEGIS OF KLAUS LANDSBERG.

FOR THE AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE, ROY NEAL, K6DUE
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KTLA is owned these days by Tribune Broadcasting and is part of the Warner Brothers -- or W-B Television Network. More important, its history is one rich in break-through technology and innovation. Its a pioneering station that made television happen. You can read more about it in cyberspace at the website you will find in this weeks amateur Radio Newsline report.

More on the fascinating history of W6ZYZ and KTLA is in cyberspace at http://ktla.trb.com/about/station/ktla-about-history1.htmlstory (Tnx K6DUE, CGC Communicator, others)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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1567. FS 900 MHz 8 Cavity Duplexer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-05 19:30:34 UTC
From: Mike Kulyk <mkulyk@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <u%Ux9.22953$0x.6601@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3452
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,rec.radio.swap,alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

900 MHz 8 Cavity Duplexer
Compact Duplexer with Circulator

This Duplexer came from an older 900 MHz linking radio system. It is presently tuned for 895.90 MHz TX and 934.70 RX, making it very suitable for the 900 MHz Ham band. It came out of service, so should be working fine, but it comes AS-IS.

$150 plus shipping

1568. Re: Power Supply Fan Noise

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-05 23:39:10 UTC
From: Roger Halstead <rdhalste@tm.net>
Message-ID: <yEYx9.2251$Ve3.1766739@monger.newsread.com>
Source record: 3453

"splanky" <splanky@splancus.net> wrote in message
news:rjIr9.81996$NW3.20132@sccrnsc03...
> I bought a linear power supply, the MFJ-4035MV, but the fan noise is just
> plain loud. Although it runs cool as a cucumber, the fan is three times as
> loud as the transceiver.
>

Lord! I'm in a small room with three high powerd computers, three radio
stations, and Alpha 76 (old sucker). I can't even hear the phone ring out
in the next room.

The MFJ number doesn't mean much to me (I'm to lazy to go dig out a catelog
and look), but I'd not expect the fan to be loud. Most solid state amps up
to a couple hundred watts don't even have fans.

> Does anyone have the Astron RS-35A power supply, or other in the 40-35 amp
> range? Is the fan loud?

I have the Astron 50 amp and it's pretty much silent.

--
Roger Halstead (K8RI EN73)
www.rogerhalstead.com
N833R World's oldest Debonair? (S# CD-2)
>
> Any suggestions for a conventional power supply in the 30-40 amp region
> where the fan noise won't offend the wife?
>
> John
>
>

1569. Tuning trap/parallel dipole question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-06 04:15:13 UTC
From: Ku3o <ku3o@arrl.net>
Message-ID: <lH0y9.236213$S8.4384211@twister.tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3454
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Folks,

I need to tune my Alpha Delta DX-EE multiband trap/parallel
dipole.

My question is, there surely must be interaction between
the wires, so which bands do I tune first? 10 Meters
first and 40 meters last?

or the other way around...

10 meters is dedicated wire
15 meters is dedicated wire
20 and 40 are shared with traps (ok, Alpha Delta
calls them ISO-RES coils)

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40 Meters 20 Meters 20 Meters 40 Meters
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----/ | \---- 10Meters
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Thanks,
George

1570. Re: Fat Ham

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-06 04:59:52 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021105235952.27831.00002797@mb-mf.aol.com>
Source record: 3455

>Please keep in mind that this simple calculation does not take into account
>percent body fat.
...
>This calculation is, at best, a rough guide

The BMI survey alone does not indicate percent body fat. However, this data coupled with visual observation of Hams would strongly indicate that Hams are fat. Just attend a random hamfest and you will see the demographics.

From going to Hamfests, it is clear that Hams are 95%+ male, 50% old, and (rough guess) 25% fat. Having been to several Hamfests (for the technical presentations), one can observe that Hams are more fat than the general poplulation. The demographics make Ham Radio appear suspect, especially to the non-Ham. (Although, there is nothing wrong with being male, old, or fat).

When Hams try to recruit new people, it is really the chance to join a fraternity (or cult). It is not joining a hobby, at least not in the traditional sense.

1571. Re: Tuning trap/parallel dipole question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-06 16:57:11 UTC
From: Tarmo Tammaru <t-tammaru@home.com>
Message-ID: <zrScnVzUCYUG1FSgXTWc3A@comcast.com>
Source record: 3456
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

George,

With parallel dipoles, the longest wire has more effect on the shortest. Whereas, with a trapped dipole, the higher frequency has to be adjusted first. Since the 20/40 is the longest wire, I would adjust:
20 first
40 second
15 next
10 last

After you have done that, you may have to repeat the whole think. I have multiple dipoles at 12, 17, and 40 meters (no traps). When I ran the thing on EZNEC, the only way I got it to converge was to go 40>17>12. This worked out in the real world. Your 20 m trap will probably prevent the 40 m from interfering with the 15.

Tam/WB2TT

"Ku3o" <ku3o@arrl.net> wrote in message
news:lH0y9.236213$S8.4384211@twister.tampabay.rr.com...
Folks,

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Thanks,
George

1572. Re: Tuning trap/parallel dipole question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-06 21:17:19 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <aqc0su$i74$2@venus.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3457
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

"Ku3o" wrote in message
I need to tune my Alpha Delta DX-EE multiband trap/parallel
dipole.

My question is, there surely must be interaction between
the wires, so which bands do I tune first? 10 Meters
first and 40 meters last?

or the other way around...

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There is no answer to your questions. Every antenna system is a victim of its own environment, height, sloper or V, soil characteristics, adjacency to mast and buildings, etc., etc. Adjacency of one wire to another, number of bands of interest.

When someone has pruned lengths to his satisfaction by trial and error, in his own particular surroundings, ask him to take down the antenna and accurately measure all dimensions. And then copy it. There is a small probability you may be satisfied yourself. Your transmission line length and Zo will inevitably be different.

What do you anticipate saving from your efforts? A tuner ? No hope !

Just erect a single-wire random length dipole, with a balanced feedline of any sort, also of random length, get a tuner, and you will have an efficient radiating system which will give you ample satisfaction for a few months until you become bored (like most of us) and develop a longing to try something else.

Having learnt something you will be then be free to occupy your mind on more important (to you) matters. And your tuner will ALWAYS be useful.

Having said all that, you can be just as insanely happy struggling to tame your unruly, entirely incomprehensible multi-band, multi-wire dipole.

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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
For Free Radio Design Software
Go to http://www.g4fgq.com
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1573. Re: Tuning trap/parallel dipole question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-06 21:24:48 UTC
From: jim.bolinger@lintek.aeroflex.com
Message-ID: <8d5ec8a2.0211061324.6c09085a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3458
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.antenna

Have you contacted them to see if they have a tune up procedure?

Never seen one of these, let alone used one, but what I would do would
be to tune 20 meters first, since that would affect 40 meters.

40 Meters would be next, followed by 15 and then 10.

Jim
N8EE

1574. New to Amatuer radio in Delaware

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-07 01:19:22 UTC
From: MIke <kyw1060@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <h1idnTqU7Yk0IlSgXTWcoA@comcast.com>
Source record: 3459

I am currently studying for my Amatuer License. I have been into radio a long time(SWL) and figure it's time. Is there much activity on 2m and 70Cm in Northern Delaware/Philadelphia area? How far can one get out with High gain ground plane approx 30' (This is only an estimate...I know!. Soon as I get my license I like to take part in QSO's and these answers would get me started as I don't have any gear to listen on until I decide what radio to buy. I am leaning towards the FT-847 or may just get a Dual Band mobile rig for base use. Thanks..may even consider local purchaseof used gear.
Thank you

1575. Re: New to Amatuer radio in Delaware

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-07 05:34:48 UTC
From: manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot
Message-ID: <20021107003448.26767.00000066@mb-ck.aol.com>
Source record: 3460

>I am currently studying for my Amatuer License. I have been into radio a
>long time(SWL) and figure it's time.

That's the same path I followed into Ham radio...SWL... still do it alot.

>Is there much activity on 2m and 70Cm
>in Northern Delaware/Philadelphia area?

I haven't been in your area (was in Greensburg a few weeks ago) but, as a major metro area, I'd suspect there's dozen's of repeaters and lots of activity on 2m (probably some on 440 too) Should be lots of simplex QSO's going on too (scan 146.52 and nearby frequencies) Pick up an ARRL repeater directory for more info on local repeaters on ALL VHF/UHF bands. The following website will give you a list of PA repeaters...
http://www.artscipub.com/repeaters/dsprpts.asp?state=Pennsylvania&order=freq

There are other sources of info on-line.

>How far can one get out with High
>gain ground plane approx 30' up?

You shouldn't have much problem working almost any repeater you could hear (assuming 20-30 watts output) if your location is fairly elevated... terrain can make a huge difference.

>I am leaning towards the FT-847 or may just get a Dual Band mobile rig
>for base use.

Both would be great rigs for a base... you might want to consider a beam for an antenna though... they don't cost much more than the gain verticals (and have a lot more gain) and a TV antenna rotor will do nicely mounted on the chimney or some other high point.

Good luck in the pursuit of your license!

1576. Yaesu Vertex VX 150 info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-07 07:55:39 UTC
From: tomcatgbmi@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021107025539.04938.00000049@mb-cb.aol.com>
Source record: 3461

hi all

I'm not a ham, I'm a scanner enthusiast. I was wondering if anyone had any reviews on the Yaesu Vertex VX 150. I heard it has great reception but is hard to program. anyone with any info about it please email it to me

Thanx
Tom
Mt. Morris, MI

1577. W2YGU -SK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-07 11:57:28 UTC
From: "S.A.W" <k1byd@home.com>
Message-ID: <5pKcnae_8MtNyVegXTWcoA@comcast.com>
Source record: 3462
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur

It is with great saddness I report the passing Sunday November 3 of
W2YGU -Charles Westwood . He was a great friend and made the southern NJ ,
past RCA employees and friends morning informal net on 146.565 a
real pleasure . He will be missed by all.
S.A.Warner
K1BYD
http://www.qsl.net/k1byd

1578. Re: Yaesu Vertex VX 150 info

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-07 14:12:44 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3dca7346.3812091@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3463

On 07 Nov 2002 07:55:39 GMT, tomcatgbmi@aol.com (tomcatgbmi) wrote:

>hi all
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>I'm not a ham, I'm a scanner enthusiast. I was wondering if anyone had any
>reviews on the Yaesu Vertex VX 150. I heard it has great reception but is hard
>to program. anyone with any info about it please email it to me
>
I have one for ham usage.

Not sure it's the best choice if you are never going to get a ham
license, though. Just for scanning you might be better off with
something like the Yaesu VR-50, which has a wider recieve range, more
memories, and is built with a ruggedized chassis like the FT-50.

In any case, it is far easier to program these small units by getting
the software and interface cable and using a PC for programming.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1579. Re: Ham sex

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-08 04:16:50 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021107231650.02654.00002108@mb-dd.aol.com>
Source record: 3464

.>I used to work for a major radio mfr. of ham radios..and I have to say
>98% of radios taken in for repair had out of band mods.

I'm not a fan of modifications. How about building your own circuits?

>I really feel most of the bands SHOULD be given to commercial
>enterprises & leave only 2 metres for all the stupid conversations
>that normally happen between hams...

I have to disagree with you here. There are some amateurs that would like to utilize the bands and they should be allowed access to them. Having an amateur licence allows one access to those bands.

I see no reason to give these bands away to commercial enterprises. In the long run, amateur radio benefits Ham and non-Ham commercial enterprises. Eliminating bands would hurt the economy, not just Hams.

>.READ THIS HAMS!: use this new
>technology, called a"telephone" for your whining about
>bursitis..ohh.,, I'm sorry ..you can't brag about your 1kW linear (
>spelled penis extension) on the phone..darn it all!

I have to agree that Hams are weird and follow some kind of uninteresting cult. (Contesting is BORING, yet Hams seem to get a thrill out of it).

Ham Radio is 95% male, 50% old. Greater percentage overweight than general population. They tend to waste time contesting and believe this results in useful skills. "Tier II" Hams like Morse Code and do not believe you a "real" Ham unless you learn Morse Code.

The studies of the few support the propoganda of the many. However, "Amateur Radio" clubs are meetings of Hams to share their interest in appliance operation.

1580. broadcast to 2m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-08 21:38:51 UTC
From: dL <nospam@spamaintgood.nz>
Message-ID: <3DCC2EEB.9060401@spamaintgood.nz>
Source record: 3465

I am trying to modify a battery powered fm/am radio to recieve 2m. It uses a Sony CXA1691Bs IC. I have located what i think is the Local oscillator coil. Stretching this coil as much as i can (while still keeping it coiled) results in the top broadcast frequency (104.6) being right at the bottom on the 88Mhz mark of the tuning dial. this is not high enough to pick up 2m.what must i do to be able to reach these frequencies?

1581. RATELCO 48 Volt @ 150 Amps

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-09 14:13:36 UTC
From: rhawk@gnc.net
Message-ID: <3dcd17e5.3601703@news.gnc.net>
Source record: 3466

RATELCO Battery charger / Rectifier. Type FC481505A
Model # 102B-3608-00. 48 Volt @ 150 Amps, Float or Equalize.
These units were manufactured SEPT 1991 and are in the Factory
crates and have Never been used, have 2, sequential Serial numbers.
These units can be used as 48 volt charger for Telephone Central
Office Battery supply's with the ability to Float or Equalize.
They can also be used as a stand alone, well filtered, power
supply rated at 48 volts at 150 amps CONTINOUS DUTY.
Input = 110, 208, 240 Volts. 60 Hz, single phase
A must for the expirimenter working with the new generation
of 48 volt solid state RF devices Rated in excess of a Kilowatt.

Weight is approximately 550 pounds, Crated for freight shipping.

1500.xx Prepaid, in my garage in Merritt Island, Florida.

Loading and shiping are buyers responsibility.

For Pictures

http://gnc.net/~rhawk/

Email

rhawk@gnc.net

Bob

RATELCO 48 Volt @ 150 Amps

1582. Re: broadcast to 2m

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-09 19:36:38 UTC
From: cmduen@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021109143638.21910.00002485@mb-cv.aol.com>
Source record: 3467

Simply extending the range of a AM/FM radio to the 2m band will not enable you to recieve ham signals. The FM that is used for broadcast is actualy WFM (Wide Frequency Modulation) and takes more spectrum space than standard FM so that music can be transmitted. So, if you want to recieve ham signals on a AM/FM radio, your fist problem to solve is to narrow the bandwidth of your reciver when it gets to the 144-148 range.
73s,
Chris Duensing
KB9VJD/5

PS Sorry I can't help you with extending the range of your radio

1583. ARNewsline 1317 - Nov 8 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-10 05:17:52 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021110001752.29198.00000212@mb-ba.aol.com>
Source record: 3468

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1317 – November 8, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1317 with a release date of hFriday, November 8, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Some good numbers for ham radio here and across the seas. The hobby is growing once again. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1317 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESTRUCTURING: GOOD NUMBERS IN THE USA

The numbers are in and they speak for themselves. Restructuring is finally having a very positive impact on ham radio growth here in the United States. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, has the good word:

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Last year at this time there were nearly 683,000 hams licensed by the FCC. As of October this year, there are 2235 fewer--but numbers are not always what they seem. The reality is that ham radio in the United States is growing once again.

First, the General and Extra class have increased substantially since the 13 and 20 word per minute Morse code exams were eliminated April 15th of 2000. In fact, the number of people holding these licenses has increased by well over 25,000 for each license class. And that's great news for ham radio equipment suppliers since they rely on higher dollar high frequency transceiver sales for much of their yearly income.

The Technician class is holding its own, too. The number of new Tech license holders is keeping pace with the number of hams either upgrading or dropping out of amateur radio. The net change is close to zero.

Only the Novice and Advanced classes are seeing significant drops in numbers. No new Novice or Advanced class tickets have been issued since April, 2000. And while existing licenses can be modified and renewed, it appears as if that's just not happening among Novices. They appear to be fading away, and quickly -- there were 65-thousand Novices in 1997 -- only about 37-thousand, though, today.

The bottom line is that for the last 12 months ham radio has seen an average of 16-hundred brand new ham licenses issued each month. That's an improvement of 160 a month over the previous year. And that improvement is very good news for ham radio.

As to the state with the largest number of hams? It's still California which can now claim being home to more than one seventh of all the nations hams. Latest figures show there are more than 100,000 hams now living in California.

The state with the fewest hams? North Dakota -- only 1575 hams there.

Reporting from the Amateur Radio Newsline's South-East Bureau in Birmingham, Alabama, I'm David Black, KB4KCH.
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The bottom line is this. Restructuring seems to be doing the job it was intended to do. Its now up to those in the hobby to work to swell its ranks even more. (W5YI)

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RESTRUCTURING: 5000TH UK FOUNDATION LICENSE CELEBRATED

The United States is not the only place where ham radio is growing. In the United Kingdom Andrew Finch, M3FMA, is only 11 years old and suffers from dyslexia. But nothing was going to keep the young scout from becoming a ham. And now he is the 5000th person to obtain that nations new and very popular Foundation Class license. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, has more:

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The Radiocommunications Agency has been so pleased with the numbers taking up the license, that it decided to commemorate the 5000th amateur with a special award. Alan Betts of the Agency's Amateur Radio section, commented: "The radio amateur community was around 50,000 strong before the new license was introduced, and so this level of interest is very welcome".

He also added "The License has proved very popular with young people and amateur radio is very much an up-and-coming hobby for them".

The presentation of Andrew's prize took place at a ceremony held at the Radiocommunications Agency's monitoring station in Baldock, Hertfordshire on Tuesday the 22nd of October. Andrew was also presented with membership of the Radio Society of Great Britain by its President, Bob Whelan, G3PJT, who also presented a host of radio amateur goodies and books.

Andrew's day was not over after the ceremony - he was given a tour of the Radiocommunications Agency monitoring station at Baldock. 'Heartbeat FM' from Hertfordshire then conducted an interview with him before he was whisked off for another interview with 'Dream FM' of Chelmsford.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.
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Andrew had told his parents that he was going to begin saving his pocket money to buy a radio. He won’t have to do that. Among the gifts he received for becoming the 5000th Foundation license holder was a brand new F-T 817 transceiver donated by Yaesu. The Foundation License has only been available to U-K residents since earlier this year. (GB2RS)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: HAM RADIO INVITED TO DIGI RADIO EXPERIMENT

Ham radio has been asked to be a part of an important digital radio experiment. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

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Digital Radio Mondiale, or DRM, is a project aimed to revitalize the short-wave, medium-wave and long-wave AM radio broadcast bands. This, by using digital signals to provide near-FM quality.

Radio amateurs and serious broadcast-band listeners have been invited to become part of the DRM Software Radio Project. They may also be among the first to access the initial DRM programs when test transmissions begin next month.

James Briggs is the DRM Projects Co-ordinator with Merlin Communications in Dorset England. Biggs says that the project relies on adding an extra down-converter board to existing receivers and then using software to decode the signal via a PC soundcard.

The interface is simple and the sound -- hopefully -- will be superb.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.
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To find out how you can play a part in the DRM experiment take your web browser to www.drmrx.org (Media Network)

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RADIO LAW: CONGRESS AND CCR'S

Some good news and some bad news in the drive by the ARRL to get Congress to ban deed restrictions on hams who want to put up towers and antennas. The good news is that several more members of both houses have signed on as co-sponsors in recent weeks. The bad news is that no action took place on the issue before Congress adjourned for elections and there's little chance of any action once it returns to close out the year. The bottom line: The ARRL says that it will try again when Congress reconvenes in January of 2003. (ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the K5TYR Repeater serving Tyler Texas.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC PROBES JAMMING OF THE HURRICANE WATCH NET

The FCC is asking a Morrison Colorado ham to explain why he allegedly interfered with an onging hurricane emergency net. The FCC's Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, tells us about the case:

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Duckworth: “The Enforcement Bureau opened an inquiry into allegations that Merle W. Garbe, W0SBE, of Morrison Colorado interfered with the Hurricane Watch Net on 14.325 MHz on October 3rd of 2002 during its Hurricane Isadore operation.”
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The FCC letter to Garbe notes that the Hurricane Watch Net is operated to assist the National Hurricane Center in Miami, other government agencies and people in a target area of a hurricane system. The letter goes on to note that the agency considers this service to be one of the most important purposes of the Amateur Radio Service .

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ENFORCEMENT: NO RADIO CALL-IN SHOW PERMITTED ON 75 METERS

The FCC is asking a California ham why he allegedly ran a radio call in show on 3.830 MHz and requested shortwave listeners to participate. The regulatory agency alleges that James C. Watkins, KI6GU, of Burbank ran such an operation last August 16th and 24th and used a reverse autoptach system to facilitate the call-ins.

Along with the FCC inquiry Watkins was furnished 9 pages of material relating to the complaints against him. He was given the customary 30 days from the date of the Commission inquiry to respond. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: BIG FINE AGAINST FLORIDA PIRATE BROADCASTER

The FCC has levied a $10,000 fine against a Florida man who has allegedly been operating a radio transmitter without a license. Richard Munoz of Naples was issued the forfeiture notice for operation of a radio station on 105.1 MHz without Commission authorization. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Bill Burnett, KT4SB, is in Miami with the details:

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The story begins on April 20 if this year. This, when agents from the Tampa Office investigate a complaint alleging that an unlicensed radio station was transmitting on frequency 105.1 MHz in the Naples, Florida area.

A search of Commission records shows that there was no FM radio station licensed on 105.1 MHz in Naples. So, using a mobile direction finding vehicle, the agents trace the station to the Tree of Life Church in Naples.

The agents then interview several witnesses at the church who identify Richard Muñoz as the operator of the radio station transmitting on 105.1 MHz. The witnesses also provide the agents a business card identifying Richard Muñoz as the pastor of a Spanish-language ministry called Mission Possible Ministries. A brochure advertises a radio program called “Mission Possible" on 105.1 MHz.

The agents interview Muñoz. He admits that his ministry owns the radio station equipment and is operating it.

The agents ask Muñoz if he had a license for the station. He replies that a friend has submitted an application to the FCC. Also that the friend has advised him that he could operate the station while the paperwork was being processed.

The agents advise Muñoz that he cannot operate the station without a license and directed him to terminate the unlicensed operation. Muñoz requested additional time to notify his listeners that the station had to go off the air. The agents again tell Muñoz that he could not operate the station without a license and order him to take the station off the air. Muñoz directs another person to turn off the transmitter.

But the story does not end there. On April 30th the FCC'sTampa Office receives another complaint alleging that an unlicensed FM station is again operating on 105.1 MHz in Naples. Also that it is causing interference to the reception of an FM broadcast station licensed to operate in that area.
On May 14th, agents again trace the station to the Tree of Life Church and on May 17th the Tampa Office issued a warning letter to Andrew dealing, the head pastor of the Tree of Life Church. The warning letter advises DeLong that operation of a radio station without a license violates Section 301 of the Act, ordered him to cease operation of the unlicensed station transmitting on 105.1 MHz immediately.
Then, on May 24, 2002, the Tampa Office receives a letter from Pastor DeLong. In the letter, DeLong states that Richard Muñoz is the operator of the radio station transmitting on 105.1 MHz. Also that that Muñoz leases space for the radio station from the Tree of Life Church, and that the Tree of Life Church had no control over the operations of the radio station.
Based on the facts before it, On June 5th the Tampa Office issues an Notice of Apparant Liability for a $10,000 forfeiture to Richard Muñoz for operating a radio station without a license in willful and repeated violation of Section 301 of the Act. In his response to the notice, Muñoz admits that he operated the unlicensed station on 105.1 MHz, but requests cancellation of the forfeiture. He tells the FCC that his church, Mission Possible Ministries, had agreed to purchase 50% of the radio station for $15,000 from Daniel Morisma approximately eight months earlier. According to the reports, Muñoz maintains that Morisma told him that there was an application for the radio station on file at the FCC and that the station could go on the air while they were waiting for the application to be processed.
According to Muñoz, Morisma told him that the station should go back on the air because the FCC would not visit again, and that if the FCC did visit again, it would issue a second warning before proceeding with any penalties. Muñoz asserts that the station had been using the time between the FCC’s first and second visit to explain to listeners that they would soon be off the air because they had been lied to and scammed and that the station was a week away from dismantling when the FCC visited the station the second time.
But the FCC sees it another way. In its order the FCC says that it is unfortunate that Muñoz may have been duped into believing that there was an application for the radio station on file with the FCC and that he could put the station on the air while the application was being processed.
None-the-less says the FCC, Muñoz clearly knew following the inspection by its agents on April 20th that the station was unlicensed.
The bottom line. The FCC says that under these circumstances, it concludes

that no reduction of the forfeiture on this basis is warranted.
From Miami, I'm Bill Burnetrt, KT4SB, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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Muñoz was given the customary 30 days to pay the fine. If he fails to do so the FCC indicates that other punitive action may be taken.

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WITH THE SCOUTS: JOTA FOLLOW-UP

ARRL Educational Programs Coordinator, Jean Wolfgang, WB3IOS, reports that so far over 125 scouting Jamoboree on the Air or JOTA survey have been received for this years event. The reports show over 9079 Scouts, 2855 visitors, and 657 hams participated. This is a substantial improvement over last year when only 65 surveys were returned!

But says Wolfgang, there are several state we have not heard from. They are Delaware, Hawaii, Idaho, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Vermont, and Wyoming.

If you participated in JOTA 2002 and have not yet completed the ARRL survey please have a representative of your JOTA event complete and submit the form as soon as possible. You will find it on the web at http://www.arrl.org/FandES/ead/jotalog. (WB3IOS)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: HAS HAMVENTION 2003 GOT A DEAL FOR YOU

The planners of Hamvention 2003 say -- have they got a deal for you! The Hamvention, in cooperation with the Dayton Montgomery Convention and Visitors Bureau has put together a special V-I-P package. It will do to five of the first 500 who purchase a preregistration ticket before Novermber 15th.

The five lucky winners will be chosen in a randon drawing in early December. They will receive two nights of hotel accommodations during Hamvention, dinner for two at Jay’s Restaurant, a V-I-P badge, a special souvenir package and the most important prize of all. An on-site V-I-P parking pass for the show! Thats right -- parking almost at the Hara Arena front door.

More information on this special Hamvention 2003 promotion is available by e-mail to tickets@hamvention.org. You can also phone during business hours Eastern time to area code 937-276-6930. (Dayton Hamvention)

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: WORLDRADIO EDITOR DEPARTS FOR CAREER IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

One ham who may not be at Hamvention 2003 is Worldradio Magazine editor Rick McCusker, WF6O. This is because McCusker has announced that he is leaving the post in a major career change.

Accordong to McCusker, he has been in training for some time to become a peace officer. He has also been working as a Reserve Depuity Sheriff in his spare time. Now, he has accepted a full time position with the Sacramento California County Sheriff’s Department.

Duruing his tenure at Worldradio, McCusker completely redesigned and modernized the magazine’s look. He took most columns by-monthly permitting the addition of new writers representing emerging technologies in the hobby. His legacy is a well respected publication with a steadilly growing reader base.

McCusker’s last day at Worldradio will be on Wednesday November 13th. At airtime no replacement editor has been named. (ARNewsline™)

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THE CHANGING OF THE GUARD: KL7Y LOST IN MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT

Some sad news. Word that famed contest operator Daniel Robbins, KL7Y, of Wassilia Alaska has died in a motorcycle accident while in Hawaii. According to the Honolulu Star Bulletin, the 54 year old Robbins died Thursday October 31st after he lost control of a motorcycle while riding in Kona and drove into a lava field. The Fire Department said that Robbins, who was not wearing a helmet, suffered head and other injuries.

KL7Y was a friend to many inside and outside of the world of ham radio contest operations. He had just completed operating the CQ World Wide SSB contest from KH7R a few days before the accident that took his life. A memorial guest list for his friends to pay their respects has been set up on line at www.contesting.com. (K7JA, contesting.com)

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ON THE AIR: THE MIGHTY MO CELEBRATES VETERANS DAY

The “Mighty Mo” is coming to the ham radio airwaves for a very special event. Bob Maguire, KA2WXU, reports over the Internet that on November 9, 10, and 11 the Battleship Missouri Amateur Radio Club will be on the air each day from 17:00 to 04:00 U-T-C on 14.263, 21.363 and 28.363MHZ, in honor of Veteran's Day weekend. There is no special event QSL card for Veteran's Day event but if you Q-S-L via KH6BB you will receive a regular Mighty Mo QSL in return. More information is on the web at www.kh6bb.org. (KA2WXU)

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ON THE AIR: UARC CELEBRATES 75TH ANNIVERSARY

The Utah amateur Radio Club will celebrate its 75th anniversary with an on-the-air event beginning Saturday November 9th and continuing through November 10th. Operation will be on most high frequency bands with emphasis on 20 meter SSB. The call sign to listen for is W7SP. For a special commemorative card, QSL as directed on the air. (N7HVF)

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INTERNATIONAL – INDIA: PIRATES PERSIST

The president of the Amateur Radio Society of India, reports a significant number of pirate operations using call signs VU4A, VU7A and similar other call signs continues. VU2SDN says that a blanket ban exists on operations from Andaman, Nicobar and Lakshadweep islands, and that VU4 and VU7-prefix call signs have not being assigned for 10 years. The only exception was the brief 1993 VU2JPS operation from the Andaman Islands. Quoted in the ARRL Letter, VU2SDN says that call signs that begin with VU2 followed by two or three letters or with VU3 followed by three letters are the only valid call signs for India. (ARRL)

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INTERNATIONAL – USSR: A WALL OF SOUND

Radio Liberty's broadcasts to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics were the target of Soviet noise jamming for several decades. But Media Network reveals that the Russian operators actually left frequencies undisturbed so their friends could hear the programs. Now, you can too with a 30 second audio sample of what jamming sounded like for those of you too young to remember. Its on the Radio Netherlannds website. The URL is http://www.rnw.nl/realradio/features/html/jamming021018.html (Media Network)

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DX

In D-X, a surprise U-S to Japan long path opening surprised many South-West region hams the morning of October 31st. At about 15:45 UTC, D44TD was worked as far west as Arizona. while N6XQ was reported to be 599+ into JA-land, Unfortunately for many U-S hams the surprise opening took place while they were away at work and preceeded an X-class flare a bit later in the day. (K7JA)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: SOLVING AN AGE OLD QUESTION

For nearly a century, mathematicians have been stumped by one of the math world's most difficult problems. This is a conjecture by French scientist Henri Poincare about the properties of three-dimensional space. And now, it appears as id a British math whiz claims to have solved the problem. Amateur Radio Newslines Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has the puzzeling story:

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Jules Henri Poincare was dubbed by E.T. Bell as the "Last Universalist. A man a who was at ease in all branches of mathematics.

Poincare was also a 19th century professor of astronomy who made fundamental contributions regarding the motions of the planets. He went on to found the field of topology, a branch of geometry, and even competed with Albert Einstein in the study of relativity.

Before Poincare, mathematicians fully understood two-dimensional space, such as the Earth's surface, and could list all the possible shapes of two-dimensional surfaces and use mathematical calculations to distinguish between them. But The math mystery Poincare raised regarded the properties of three-dimensional space. His question, or conjecture, was whether the two-dimensional calculations could be easily modified to answer similar questions about three-dimensional spaces.

He was pretty sure the answer was yes but couldn't prove it mathematically. Nearly 100 years later, math whizzes remain stuck, except for one. His name is Martin Dunwoody.

Dunwoody is described as a British mathematics expert. His answer is barely six pages long and only an outline. And as you might expect, Dunwoody's solution - complete with formulas and diagrams - has been praised and challenged in England.

No, we will not try to explain all the math here. What is interesting is the reaction of the scientific community. Professor Ian Stewart of the University of Warwick, one of Britain's most respected mathematicians calls it the first good shot at this problem in years,. But Colin Rourke, another University of Warwick mathematician, disagreed. Rourke says that when he raised a problem in the solution, Dunwoody admitted on his Web site that it could be difficult to overcome.

Once the math community has accepted the solution, the Clay Mathematics Institute in Cambridge, Mass., must conduct its own review. Only if that proves successful will Dunwoody be rewarded. And if the reaction of the British math professors is any indication, this conrriversy could rage on in math circles for years.

Adding it all up for the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.
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Even if Dunwoody continues to refine his answer and eventually is proven correct, it could be a long time before it's official. First, he must get it published in a mathematics journal, then undergo a two-year waiting period of international review. (Science Today)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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1584. Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 14:06:27 UTC
From: The Technical Manager <techman@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3DCFB963.190433DC@niobiumfive.co.uk>
Source record: 3469
Cross-posted to: uk.tech.broadcast,sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

Recently I read about a technique used in broadcasting in America where asymmetrical modulation distortion is applied to the radio broadcasts in the medium wave band. This technique allows up to 150% modulation of the audio signal without producing hard non-linear distortion in the demodulation stage of the radio receiver. Therefore it gives a greater audio output for a given RF input. In other words it makes a particular radio station with a given field strength at the receiver antenna sound louder than that for another radio station with exactly the same field strength that uses standard amplitude modulation.

It is said to work by relocating energy from close to the carrier towards the edges of the sidebands. It also has another subjective effect. If one tunes to the station with a radio with a manual tuning control, when approaching the station it sounds louder than if standard AM were used.

Could anyone offer me more information on this devious technique ? When was it invented ? Where was it deployed ? Was it ever used in the UK ?

1585. BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 16:31:22 UTC
From: Andy KC2SSB <vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <pnmvsugg8u97of5nqobj8id6sqcsq2kvif@4ax.com>
Source record: 3470
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

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gave him the total. I sent several payment reminders and even filed a
non-paying bidder complaint. Avoid any dealings with him.
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

1586. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 17:35:09 UTC
From: Serge Auckland <sergioauckland@aol.com>
Message-ID: <aqopod$8p3$1@helle.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3471
Cross-posted to: uk.tech.broadcast,sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

This technique is common in the US, but not permitted in the UK. The air processor, for example, an Optimod AM, incorporates a phase rotator that will keep the higher amplitude of the positive or negative excursions always positive. This allows you to ensure that maximum negative mod never goes to clipping, and positive mod goes up to 125-150% . It's not all that devious, just exploits the AM potential.

Serge

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1587. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 17:54:44 UTC
From: "Tony G." <tonyg@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <tirvsus4uc3b1ael1mr16s5rtsoqf2v6u7@4ax.com>
Source record: 3472
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

On Mon, 11 Nov 2002 11:31:22 -0500, Andy KC2SSB
<vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com> wrote:

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>Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
>http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com

Who cares?? This isn't EBAY. Leave him negative feedback, and get on
with your life.

1588. FA>>2 meter base/mobile amplifier

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 21:09:38 UTC
From: John Schneider <thecop@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <m0Vz9.14577$wF2.605@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3473

Please visit my auction at:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=800115232

Thank you for your time.

_____ John Schneider ICQ#: 174209293 Current ICQ status: + More ways to contact me
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1589. FA>>Navy "Fireproof" cw key w/ original box & paper

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 21:11:31 UTC
From: John Schneider <thecop@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <72Vz9.14618$wF2.14522@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3474

Please visit my auction at:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=800129274

Thank you for your time.

_____ John Schneider ICQ#: 174209293 Current ICQ status: + More ways to contact me
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1590. FA>>4-way transmitter analyzer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 21:13:03 UTC
From: John Schneider <thecop@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <z3Vz9.14641$wF2.11064@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3475

Please visit my auction at:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=800121678

Thank you for your time.

_____ John Schneider ICQ#: 174209293 Current ICQ status: + More ways to contact me
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1591. PRO-2005 w/ 456 board and laptop

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 21:14:37 UTC
From: John Schneider <thecop@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <15Vz9.14653$wF2.6511@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3478

Please visit my auction at:

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=800399967

Thank you for your time.
_____ John Schneider ICQ#: 174209293 Current ICQ status: + More ways to contact me
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1592. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 21:40:54 UTC
From: Mark Russo <mrrusso@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <3DD024A3.476115E@optonline.net>
Source record: 3476
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

EA5WC is not a ham call, anywhere.
Look on the ARRL call sign server and the international servers.
Be thankful that you never sent him the radio first.

Good Luck

73, Mark N2FLF

Andy KC2SSB wrote:

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1593. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-11 22:26:10 UTC
From: "Donnie (N4JZH)" <n4jzh@knology.net>
Message-ID: <9sa0tuog6ol3oudcudmvcag65l1tljhd93@4ax.com>
Source record: 3477
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Come on Andy, I think hardly qualifys for a post such as yours here on the NG's
I am glad you posted his behavior on Ebay but be realistic about it your only out of the posting cost, about what it would cost to buy a cheap steak dinner at Denny's including the tip.
I have conducted years of business here on the NG and I have NEVER posted anything about a ham
who failed to meet his end of a deal. such matters are for private email or the phone.
Bad Guy Alerts are for real acts of theft and fraud where a real loss of equipment or money takes place, then your comments are welcome.
Please use discretion when you post comments like this it will come back to haunt you!
Just my two pennies worth

''Behold how good and pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity''
Donnie n4jzh@knology.net

1594. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 00:02:12 UTC
From: hhc314@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <7ce4e226.0211111602.38d69822@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3479
Cross-posted to: uk.tech.broadcast,sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

"Serge Auckland" <sergioauckland@aol.com> wrote in message
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> just exploits the AM potential.
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> Serge

First, what exactly is a "phase rotator" with respect to AM
broadcasting? What phases are rotated, and why?

Second, it would seem to me that unequal excursions of the modulation
envelope would result in audio distortion, and consequently failure of
FCC mandated "proof of performance" certification with respect to
audio sine wave distortion?

Unless this is a "pirate radio station" kludge device that cannot meet
legal commercial broadcasting standards, what's the entire story?
(Other than violating commercial broadcasting standards, it sound like
the end function of this device would be the production of loud yet
horribly distorted audio. Is there any market for this?)

Harry C.

1595. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 00:41:18 UTC
From: Chuck/KE4ETH <chuck_hawks@hotmailnospamorama.com>
Message-ID: <RI_z9.14605$IE2.6289@news.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 3482
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"Harry Conover" <hhc314@yahoo.com> wrote in message
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> horribly distorted audio. Is there any market for this?)
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> Harry C.

Have you listened to Music lately

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73,
Chuck
KE4ETH
Remove the obvious from Email.

1596. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 01:21:16 UTC
From: Stephen <stephen@junkmailblocker.sptv.demon.co.uk>
Message-ID: <aqpl52osb1$8300dec7@news.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 3480
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1597. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 01:38:24 UTC
From: radiosam@wongfaye.com
Message-ID: <823e3267.0211111738.6f467ad2@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3481
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

Tony G. <tonyg@nospam.com> wrote in message
news:<tirvsus4uc3b1ael1mr16s5rtsoqf2v6u7@4ax.com>...
> On Mon, 11 Nov 2002 11:31:22 -0500, Andy KC2SSB
> <vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com> wrote:
>
> >EA5WC - do not do business with this ham. He won the auction for my
> >Kenwood TM-G707A and never paid. He never replied to my email after I
> >gave him the total. I sent several payment reminders and even filed a
> >non-paying bidder complaint. Avoid any dealings with him.
> >=-
> >73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> >Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
> >http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
>
>
>
> Who cares?? This isn't EBAY. Leave him negative feedback, and get on
> with your life.

Lighten up Tony. If this had happened to you, I'm sure you would want
to tell the world about it.

1598. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 09:27:48 UTC
From: john.heraty@ntl.com
Message-ID: <334be06d.0211120127.7822f1ba@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3483
Cross-posted to: uk.tech.broadcast,sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

"Stephen" <stephen@junkmailblocker.sptv.demon.co.uk> wrote in message
news:<aqpl52osb1$8300dec7@news.demon.co.uk>...
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Hi All.

From what I remember of the Optimod AM details the "Phase Scrambler"/"Phase Rotator" was an all-pass-filter that altered the phase of each sin and cos component in the incomming signal, this altered the shape of the wave form (for complex signals, but not sine waves) but not the energy level of each component. I'm not too sure how all-pass-filters behave to be 100% accurate on this.
Optimod also use these in the stereo FM units, when these are switched in they do alter the sound and make any stereo image that the programme content had even more vauge. If your playing with the phase of the signal in anyway this is inevitable.

Cheers
John

1599. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 11:47:50 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <aqqpp6dj1@venus.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3484
Cross-posted to: uk.tech.broadcast,sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

It is a simple method of saving money on the broadcast station's electricity bill. It allows the final amplifier to be run at a higher average efficiency.

In effect, the AM carrier level is increased on loud passages and decreased on soft passages. But it is done at an audio frequency rate.

After all, when there's no music and nobody is speaking you don't really need any carrier at all. There's nothing to carry.

The overall effect is to run the power amplifier at greater than 100% modulation without a significant increase in distortion.

The result at the receiving end is a little bit extra audio distortion and a little worse signal to noise ratio. Hardly noticeable when swamped by the distortion always present in the receiver's loud speaker.

Probably been used for the last 60 years by low-fidelity broadcasters who are always trying to increase their service areas at lower cost. The advertisers' are in there somewhere.

British AM broadcasters do it. Some do it more than others. Tune over the medium wave band and ask why some very strong stations (AGC fully operative) appear to be louder than others.

1600. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 16:19:32 UTC
From: norr_green@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <6905f95c.0211120819.5bcf1f70@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3485
Cross-posted to: uk.tech.broadcast,sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

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> medium wave band and ask why some very strong stations (AGC fully operative)
> appear to be louder than others.

Careful Reg. Asymetrical modulation wont effect the AGC on your radio
only AMC
which is what the BBC use.

Asymetrical modulation is were the peaks of the modulating audio is
made more
positive with respect to the normal symetrical audio AC signal, but
the
negative peaks must remain the same.

In the USA they run to 125% modulation as a attempt increase loudness
of a
station and even possibly improve the potental coverage of a
transmitter, it
can be said that a increase in power has occured by running to 125%
mod but the
transmitter is still running the same power a specified by the

licence.
In the UK the rules don't allow anything beyond 100 % mod.

In theory there is no limit on how positive the modulating audio can be made
other than the maximum modulation level the transmitter can achieve, but the
negative peaks must remain within 100 % or over modulation will occur.
Asymetry of the audio is done within the Optimod processor, while at the receiver everything is made normal, except the programme sounds louder with a
minor increase in distortion.

AMC = Amplitude Modulation Companding and is a method of reducing the output
power of the transmitter has it reaches 100 % mod. Thus causing your radio's
AGC to compensate. The BBC run 3dB AMC which means that a 150 kw transmitter
with no modulation the output will be 150 kw while at 100 % mod the peak mean
power will be 112.5 kw instead of 225 kw. The idea is save the BBC money on the
electricity bill, BBC Radio 5 runs this.

AMC can sometimes be called DCC which the BBC World Service run, very similar.

1601. FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 22:44:16 UTC
From: Mike Kulyk <mkulyk@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <4vfA9.4259$Vy4.4096@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3486
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I have one new 3COM 3c509B combo NIC card 10 mbs ISA new in the package shrink wrap still on the box. Lifetime warranty.. Retail this card is about $160.

$90 shipped free CONUS

I also have some 3c509B-X pulls. $45 each also free shipping.

Mike WB2GLW

1602. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-12 23:08:03 UTC
From: "D. Stussy" <kd6lvw@bde-arc.ampr.org>
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0211122307090.2416-100000@exp.bde-arc.ampr.org>
Source record: 3487
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Tue, 12 Nov 2002, Mike Kulyk wrote:
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What are you smoking? 3C509's around here are $5.00 items.

1603. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 00:22:43 UTC
From: Tony Hwang <dragon40@shaw.ca>
Message-ID: <3DD19B4D.4010202@shaw.ca>
Source record: 3488
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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Hi,
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Tony, VE6CGX

1604. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 00:28:45 UTC
From: "D. Stussy" <kd6lvw@bde-arc.ampr.org>
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0211130028040.2570-100000@exp.bde-arc.ampr.org>
Source record: 3489
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Wed, 13 Nov 2002, Tony Hwang wrote:
>D. Stussy wrote:
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I doubt it. All versions - B's, C's, etc. - go for $5.00 here in Southern CA.

1605. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 02:00:16 UTC
From: grenner <regencytr1@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <3dd1b231$0$4477$a1866201@newsreader.visi.com>
Source record: 3490
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I wish I knew your value, I have been throwing some away, I can hardly give them away

"Mike Kulyk" <mkulyk@optonline.net> wrote in message news:4vfA9.4259$Vy4.4096@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net...
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1606. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 03:05:35 UTC
From: Hank Oredson <horedson@att.net>
Message-ID: <3kjA9.3435$vM1.219448@bgtnsc04-news.ops.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 3491
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

"D. Stussy" <kd6lvw@bde-arc.ampr.org> wrote in message
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... Hank

Hank: http://horedson.home.att.net
W0RLI: http://w0rli.home.att.net

1607. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 03:23:13 UTC
From: "Mike G." <nospam@my.email.address>
Message-ID: <vsg3tush3sud0e7l7frfosks13uarkcijh@4ax.com>
Source record: 3492
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

On Wed, 13 Nov 2002 03:05:35 GMT, "Hank Oredson" <horedson@att.net> wrote:

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10Base-T cards? I thought there was a disposal fee required for each one
like your old tires.

1608. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 04:39:41 UTC
From: "rkstratton@cox.net" <rkstratton@cox.net>
Message-ID: <3DD1D7B6.2070102@cox.net>
Source record: 3493
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Give me a break I required one last week for the OS2 machine I had to
build to test some ancient software with.

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1609. Need advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 05:24:58 UTC
From: j-winters <j-winters@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <KmlA9.12960$QZ.4295@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3494

Is there a good source on how to build a dipole antenna?

1610. Re: Need advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 12:43:47 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <7OrA9.7863$Il.5944@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3495

Many of them out there. Try a search at www.google.com

"j-winters" <j-winters@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:KmlA9.12960$QZ.4295@sccrnsc02...
> Is there a good source on how to build a dipole antenna?
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1611. Swap: Freq readout for severa lGB JAZ Cartridges

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 14:33:07 UTC
From: abodo@netnitco.net
Message-ID: <8a3dbede.0211130633.43de7a6c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3496

Greetings all! I have "freq. readout" that connects between your freq.
counter and xcvr to display the frequency....with manual & wall
adapter...never tried it out....wanna take a chance and trade it for
several 1GB JAZ cartridges?.. tnx & 73's....tony wa9yoz

1612. Re: Need advice

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 15:06:13 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <FTtA9.5683$XF5.842092@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3497

See URL:

http://www.angelfire.com/mb/amandx/dipole.html

Includes calculator and construction details

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com
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1613. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-13 21:37:41 UTC
From: "D. Stussy" <kd6lvw@bde-arc.ampr.org>
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0211132136170.6323-100000@exp.bde-arc.ampr.org>
Source record: 3498
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

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>like your old tires.

In Southern California, it hasn't come to that yet. There's still plenty of older, ISA-bus based computers in operation.... However, I admit that the $5.00 price is a bit old - as of the last time I bought any. They may have fallen to $1.00 each by now, but aren't completely worthless. Most NE2000 and other cards are worthless, but for some reason, the 3COM's are preferred.

1614. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-14 07:21:31 UTC
From: j-winters <j-winters@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <%9IA9.25504$ME6.15088@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3499
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

I sold three of these on ebay with a hub for $20.00 and I thought I was
doing good.

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1615. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-14 12:10:17 UTC
From: Mike Kulyk <mkulyk@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <JoMA9.33365$Vy4.23115@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3400
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Sorry Gentleman

I sold them all and I got my price.
"Mike Kulyk" <mkulyk@optonline.net> wrote in message
news:4vfA9.4259$Vy4.4096@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net...
> I have one new 3COM 3c509B combo NIC card 10 mbs ISA new in the package
> shrink wrap still on the box. Lifetime warranty.. Retail this card is
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> $160.
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> $90 shipped free CONUS
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> I also have some 3c509B-X pulls. $45 each also free shipping.
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> Mike WB2GLW
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1616. Re: FS IRLP NIC Cards

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-14 21:59:30 UTC
From: "Mike G." <nospam@my.email.address>
Message-ID: <a478tucc8vmqc069opcnbeof0he8203l7p@4ax.com>
Source record: 3401
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment

Wow, if you can do that, I have a bridge you can sell too!

On Thu, 14 Nov 2002 12:10:17 GMT, "Mike Kulyk" <mkulyk@optonline.net>
wrote:

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>> Mike WB2GLW
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1617. Good antenna book?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-14 23:51:29 UTC
From: vshah101@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021114185129.21134.00004817@mb-fx.aol.com>
Source record: 3402

Hello, I'm taking an antenna theory and design class right now. I would like to find a good antenna book that I can use for practice problems. The textbook used in the class is "Antenna Theory and Design" by Stutzman and Thiele.

The book has the equations but not enough examples. I need a book with worked out problems.

The topics include:
antenna arrays, pattern multiplication,
resonant antennas (dipoles, Yagi-Uda, large loop antennas),
broadband antennas(helical, spiral, log periodic),
aperture antennas(horn and parabolic antennas).

Remember that this is an academic course, so many other types of topics, while interesting and useful will not be in the course. Can anyone recommend any good antenna books with solved problems on these topics?

1618. Perhaps a naive question.. IC-746pro, tuning, SWR

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-15 00:12:49 UTC
From: tcp277@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <c50a6464.0211141612.6a9326b6@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3403

Pardon my naivete here.. but as a new /AG who just bought a new rig, I've got a question that may sound rather dumb.. but here goes..

My new IC-746PRO emits a tone for 20 seconds as it tries to tune the antenna.. The manual also states to turn the RF gain ABOVE 30% while this happens to effectively tune..

Isn't this something that could cause damage to my rig?? I'm not to cool on the idea of 20 seconds of xmit as it tries to tune - especially if the SWR starts out above 3:1 or something.. The longest the rig has ever taken to tune a given antenna has been about 10 seconds, but still - is this the correct way to do things?? Should the manual actually have said LESS than 30% power, instead of ABOVE?

Thanks for any help..

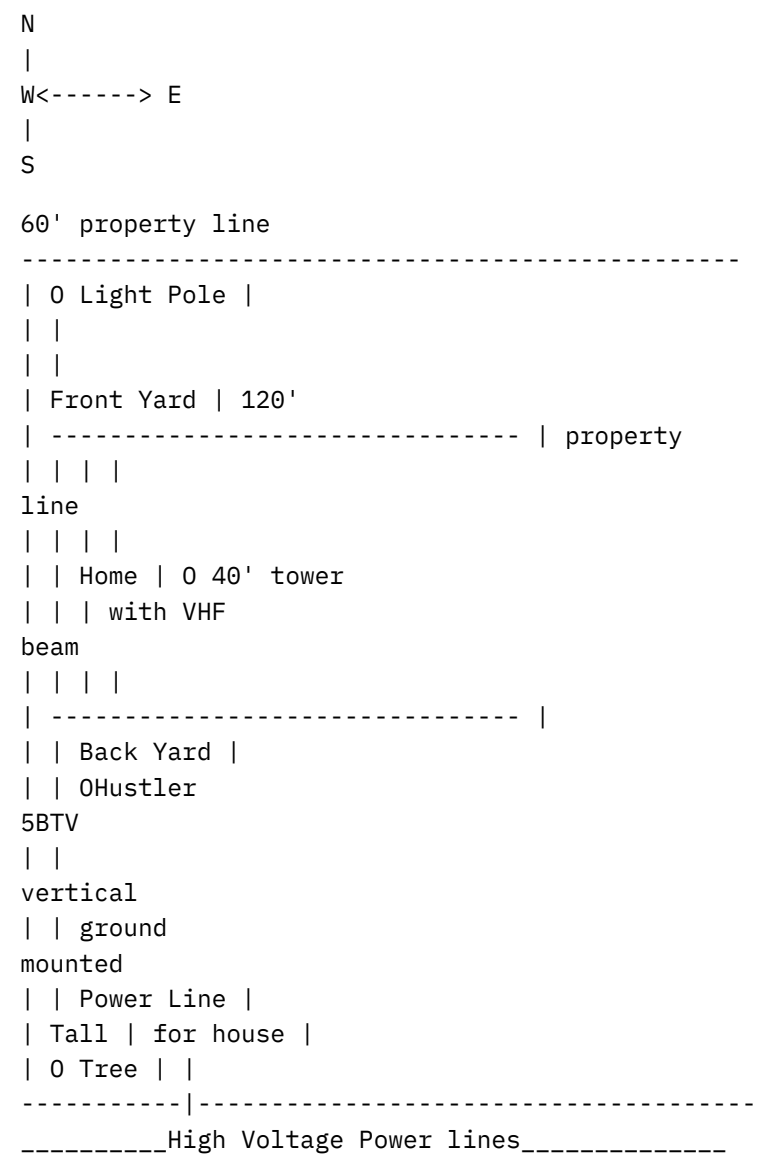
Chris/KC2DZE

1619. Repost: Need most efficient 160 m antenna design for small lot

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-15 03:23:39 UTC
From: Andy Blackburn <andyblackburn3@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <jBmdndjBzfUS9UmgXTWcqA@comcast.com>
Source record: 3404

My single story home is on a lot 120' x 60'. I live on the east coast
and would like to work at least the states and some DX.
What would be the best design antenna to use on 160m
with my property laid out as shown below. Any ideas or a link to a webpage
with drawings or design would be appreciated. No unsightly
antennas can be in the front yard...only a wire maybe to the light pole.
I also prefer not to use a tuner except to expand my bandwith.
Any help would be greatly appreciated.

73,
Andy WD4FY



1620. Re: Repost: Need most efficient 160 m antenna design for small lot

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-15 14:38:49 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <ZF7B9.31779$NH2.2502@sccrnsc01>
Source record: 3405

Andy.......an inverted L is hard to beat, but you might not have the room.

"Andy Blackburn" <andyblackburn3@comcast.net> wrote in message
news:jBmdndjBzfUS9UmgXTWcqA@comcast.com...
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> and would like to work at least the states and some DX.
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1621. Re: Perhaps a naive question.. IC-746pro, tuning, SWR

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-15 14:44:00 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <QK7B9.40408$QZ.7569@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3406

Won't hurt it. They are very tough, but I wouldn't set it at 30%. Shouldn't need that much.

"C. Todd" <tcp277@yahoo.com> wrote in message news:c50a6464.0211141612.6a9326b6@posting.google.com...
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> seconds, but still - is this the correct way to do things?? Should the
> manual actually have said LESS than 30% power, instead of ABOVE?
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> Thanks for any help..
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> Chris/KC2DZE

1622. FAL Radio Shack HTX-200

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-15 16:04:31 UTC
From: Truman <no@hello.goodbye>
Message-ID: <MH8B9.4053$dr6.808@news.bellsouth.net>
Source record: 3407
Cross-posted to: rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=800473039

1623. Re: Repost: Need most efficient 160 m antenna design for small lot

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-15 17:42:55 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <ar3bmt$d21$1@sparta.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3408

Take a wire up the front of the house then to a short mast on the chinmey, then over the house roof to a pole at the other end of the garden, then come downwards, sloping, to within 3 feet of the ground.

Make a ground connection to half-dozen shallow-buried wires in the front garden + the ground connection to the incoming 50Hz power supply + the domestic hot water system + the cold water system + the rising water main + metal gas pipes if you have any. Don't neglect the ground connections.

I had a similar set-up for many years. I called it an inverted-L or U. A simple home-brew tuner was needed. Worked the world on all bands with 100 watts or less. Favourite band was 160 meters.

Keep total length of antenna wire in the range 140 to 170 feet. A few bends and changes in direction have no adverse effect.

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Regards from Reg G4FGQ
For Free Radio Design Software
Go to http://www.g4fgq.com
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1624. Re: Good antenna book?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-16 01:13:43 UTC
From: ******** <news8439REEMOOVE@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <ar4647kvu1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3409

Hello Vshah101,

Try books by Kraus or Balanis. Get Mathcad, type in the long equations and get E and H radiation plots, etc. It worked for me. Also good to do some practical measurements to show theory works.

Cheers

"Vshah101" <vshah101@aol.com> wrote in message news:20021114185129.21134.00004817@mb-fx.aol.com...
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> interesting and useful will not be in the course. Can anyone recommend any good
> antenna books with solved problems on these topics?

1625. Re: Repost: Need most efficient 160 m antenna design for small lot

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-16 17:56:27 UTC
From: Andy Blackburn <andyblackburn3@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <IuWcneu6p7kBG0ugXTWc3Q@comcast.com>
Source record: 3410

Thanks for everyones input......including those that did not post to this newsgroup.
I will try several of the ideas presented to me and see which works the best.

73,

Andy WD4AFY

1626. req: MFJ Antenna Tuner manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 00:34:04 UTC
From: Jim King <jkns1e6@bak.rr.com>
Message-ID: <Xns92C8A8C5858E3nowayjosenospamorg@66.75.162.198>
Source record: 3411

Requesting info on antenna tuner.
Mfr: MFJ enterprises Inc, Starkville, MS
Model: MFJ Versa Tuner II MFJ-941D

Any info at all will help, user manual, specs, schematic.

Jim King

jkns1e6@bak.rr.com

1627. Re: MFJ Antenna Tuner manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 01:39:51 UTC
From: Andy Blackburn <andyblackburn3@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <CoucnZBYauaqbkugXTWc3A@comcast.com>
Source record: 3412

Try this link....it's for the 941E....should be close enough.
It's a user manual in pdf format.
There is no schematic though.

http://www.mfjenterprises.com/man/pdf/MFJ-941E.pdf

73,
Andy WD4AFY

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> Any info at all will help, user manual, specs, schematic.
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> Jim King
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> jkns1e6@bak.rr.com
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1628. HELP, CES Micropad and KDK 2015 transciever

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 03:58:07 UTC
From: Captain Bob <captainbob7@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <jtEB9.60600$nB.4992@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3413

I am looking for the pin-outs for the CES Micropad (Microphone with dial pad).circa 1985.

Also need manual for KDK 2015R 2M transciever.

Would appreciate any help !

Bob N1HBT

1629. Re: MFJ Antenna Tuner manual

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 06:29:11 UTC
From: Jim King <nowayjose@nospam.org>
Message-ID: <Xns92C8E4FA4AE05nowayjosenospamorg@66.75.162.198>
Source record: 3414

Thanks,

J K

"Andy Blackburn" <andyblackburn3@comcast.net> wrote in
news:CoucnZBYauaqbkugXTWc3A@comcast.com:

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> It's a user manual in pdf format.
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1630. Silent Key Directory

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 11:29:25 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-1711020630440001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3415

Does anyone know of a directory which you can search for silent keys? I don't really want to know that someone has passed on, but I've been out of touch with my old ham buddies and don't want to send them mail only to hurt their xyl who receives it.

Thx,

Steve WB4CZR

1631. Website Update -SSTV- ON1OE

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 13:06:20 UTC
From: Patrick <on1oe@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <3dd7956f$1$190$ba620e4c@news.skynet.be>
Source record: 3416

Hello OM,

This is a new update from my "SPECIAL SSTV WEBSITE".
Go to http://users.skynet.be/on1oe

New SSTV DX'er mailinglist

Thanks for your visite

'73s ON1OE Patrick

1632. Re: Technique to enhance radio broadcasts

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 16:32:23 UTC
From: restamp@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <rwPB9.29326$2m.4478579@twister.columbus.rr.com>
Source record: 3417
Cross-posted to: uk.tech.broadcast,sci.electronics.misc,rec.radio.amateur

In article <aqpl52osb1$8300dec7@news.demon.co.uk>,
Stephen <stephen@junkmailblocker.sptv.demon.co.uk> wrote:
>"Harry Conover" <hhc314@yahoo.com> wrote in message
>news:7ce4e226.0211111602.38d69822@posting.google.com...
>> "Serge Auckland" <sergioauckland@aol.com> wrote in message
>news:<aqopod$8p3$1@helle.btinternet.com>...
>> > This technique is common in the US, but not permitted in the UK. The air
>> > processor, for example, an Optimod AM, incorporates a phase rotator that
>> > will keep the higher amplitude of the positive or negative excursions
>always
>> > positive. This allows you to ensure that maximum negative mod never goes
>to
>> > clipping, and positive mod goes up to 125-150% . It's not all that
>devious,
>> > just exploits the AM potential.
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>> > Serge
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>> First, what exactly is a "phase rotator" with respect to AM
>> broadcasting? What phases are rotated, and why?
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>I guess it's a phase inverter, and a short audio delay which allows the
>device to see an asymmetrical peak in advance, and flip the polarity if
>required before it gets sent to the peak limiters and transmitted.
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>> Second, it would seem to me that unequal excursions of the modulation
>> envelope would result in audio distortion, and consequently failure of
>> FCC mandated "proof of performance" certification with respect to
>> audio sine wave distortion?
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>I guess it only works on waveforms which are asymmetrical to begin with, so
>it would have no effect on sine waves and these would not exceed 100%
>modulation. What I don't understand is how it could suddenly invert the
>phase without making an audible click.

How are AM radio station regulated with respect to power limits?
Power into the final? Carrier power? PEP?

Rob

1633. M2 6M7 Instruction booklet

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-17 23:13:30 UTC
From: John <john@vhfdx.idps.co.uk>
Message-ID: <3dd821f3$1_1@mk-nntp-1.news.uk.worldonline.com>
Source record: 3418
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur

Hello, can someone please supply me with a copy of the M2 6M7 booklet. I have just got the antenna seond-hand without the instruction booklet and need a copy to set it up correctly.

Scan by email is okay.

Cheers

John

1634. Re: Silent Key Directory

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-18 02:35:08 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <ar9jkr$r63$1@sparta.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3419

> Does anyone know of a directory which you can search for silent keys? I
> don't really want to know that someone has passed on, but I've been out of
> touch with my old ham buddies and don't want to send them mail only to
> hurt their xyl who receives it.
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I once had some success with tracing a particular old radio friend of mine who I had never met except on the amateur radio and who quite possibly was now likely to be deceased. I guessed at the area where he was most likely to have been known and sent an e-mail to the present secretary of a radio club in the same area.

The secretary sent a letter by ordinary post to the family of my old friend at his last known address with a printed copy of my e-mailed enquiry. Eventually I received a pleasant letter from his widow. My friend had in fact died quite recently. He had been retired for several years. He had not been on the radio for several years.

She was pleased to hear from me. I had reminded her of her husband's good times of years ago. She was most pleased that he was still well remembered by his old radio friends. (I had originally e-mailed to the club secretary on behalf of two or three of us). She told me of the circumstance surrrounding his death (nothing particularly unusual) which gave me some personal satisfaction by putting my mind at rest.

We corresponded sympathetically at intervals for several years. She sent me some of his old QSL cards, mine amongst them. We had a common interest - her deceased husband. I was happy to replace in a very small way the great loss in companionship she had suffered when he died. I think she very much appreciated our occasional contacts by letter. We never met. The letters eventually ceased and I assume she died herself.

I relate this simple story to illustrate that it is unlikely to cause hurt to relatives of old friends who may have passed away. Make your enquiries sympathically. Looking for a dear old radio friend if he's still around. Just don't barge in blowing bugles and waving rattles. ;o)

By the way, I'm 77. Nobody is likely to get upset by enquiries about me after I've gone. I've already paid all the bills.

Reg, G4FGQ

1635. Re: M2 6M7 Instruction booklet

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-18 13:21:08 UTC
From: Dennis Kaylor <k4oxg@tampabay.rr.com>
Message-ID: <3DD8E93E.8040902@tampabay.rr.com>
Source record: 3420
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur

hey john
if you dont have any luck getting the manual on here go to M2 website
and email them or call them they will set you up and also have any spare
parts you may need
www.M2inc.com i think is there website

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> Scan by email is okay.
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> Cheers
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> John
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1636. VX-7R Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-18 17:13:41 UTC
From: burtronic@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021118121341.05635.00000035@mb-fc.aol.com>
Source record: 3421

Can anyone lead me to a link or other source for VX-7R programming
software?

Burt,
KF6YIQ

1637. Re: VX-7R Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-18 19:14:54 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <O_aC9.43540$%m4.18617@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3422

Try here: http://www.icongrp.com/~sllewd/VX7Rmods.html

"Burtronic" <burtronic@aol.com> wrote in message
news:20021118121341.05635.00000035@mb-fc.aol.com...
> Can anyone lead me to a link or other source for VX-7R programming
> software?
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1638. Re: VX-7R Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-18 19:16:12 UTC
From: Peter Hodgson <va3pkh@rac.ca>
Message-ID: <3DD93C7C.DE2F78C6@rac.ca>
Source record: 3423

Try
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/YAESUVX7/
They have some under beta testing

73
Peter
VA3PKH
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1639. forsale: 2 scanners for the price of one

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-19 03:35:10 UTC
From: J <Xmotorolaman2003@yahoo.comX>
Message-ID: <6miC9.18855$lj.494043@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 3427
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap

for sale:

bearcat bc300 mobile/base 50 channels

has the VHF-LO, HI and UHF
has 11 presets for searches,
weather searches
clock
50 channels 5 banks of 10
works on AC or 12 volts
with telescopic antenna
keyboard entry of frequencies

radioshack pro 38
10 channel pocket
VHF-LO,HI and UHF
with dc jack for 12v,
takes 5 AA batteries, akaline or rechargeable with switch for either
has rubberduck antenna
has delay and lockouts

both scanners 40.00US + 5.00 for shipping
for one price

thanks
motorolaman2002@yahoo.com

1640. for sale X10 wireless remote color camera package 95.00US

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-19 03:47:11 UTC
From: J <Xmotorolaman2003@yahoo.comX>
Message-ID: <mxiC9.18954$lj.494436@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 3424
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.swap

for sale:

a large package of new x10 camera systems.

2 wireless colour cameras (xc10a) 4 channels
2 receivers (vr36a) 2.46ghz 4 channels
1 eagle eye wireless motion sensor (mx14a-c)
1 palm pad remote for up to 16 cameras controlled (hr12a-c)
1 dc battery pack (holds 4 AAs) (zb10a)
1 VCR remote controller (ux23a-c)
2 remote controlled powersupplies (xm13a)

95.00US + 5.00US for shipping

thanks
motorolaman2003@yahoo.com

1641. forsale: FRS radio package

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-19 03:51:26 UTC
From: J <Xmotorolaman2003@yahoo.comX>
Message-ID: <uDiC9.19007$lj.494440@read1.cgocable.net>
Source record: 3425
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.swap

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3 frs radios for sale,
2 radioshack and one uniden
all are 14 channels with 38 subtones and call alerts,
all have headphone jacks.
they all take AA batteries

3 FRS radio base/mobile stations
audiovox FRS 1000
14 channels, 38 subtones, 5 call alerts, hands free speaker, weather channel
scan, headset jack, takes wall plug or batteries, built in charger
has a signal meter as well.

all 6 radios for 100US + 10.00US for shipping

thanks again
motorolaman2003@yahoo.com
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1642. for sale NEW motorola spirit gt portables 8 channnel UHF 1 WATT, with chargers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-19 03:55:32 UTC
From: J <Xmotorolaman2003@yahoo.comX>
Message-ID: <jCiC9.16862$L47.2323562@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 3426
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.swap

for sale,

brandnew motorola spirit gt portables
8 channels, 1 watt
38 subtones
with call alert
headset jack
rechargeable battery packs and wall chargers
manuals

135.00US + 5.00US for shipping
thanks
motorolaman2003@yahoo.com

1643. Re: for sale NEW motorola spirit gt portables 8 channnel UHF 1 WATT, with chargers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-19 04:33:04 UTC
From: J <Xmotorolaman2003@yahoo.comX>
Message-ID: <v9jC9.16869$L47.2325028@read2.cgocable.net>
Source record: 3428
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.scanner,rec.ham-radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.scanner,rec.radio.swap

this is for a pair

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1644. RTTY Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-19 07:48:15 UTC
From: manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot
Message-ID: <20021119024815.03620.00000258@mb-ma.aol.com>
Source record: 3429

I've got a rigblaster and I'm interested in RTTY..anyone have any favorite software for this and other like modes. I tried TrueTTY and liked it but would like to hear other options.

1645. FS>> Alinco DJ-X2000

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-19 13:20:05 UTC
From: John Schneider <thecop@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <9UqC9.5045$s02.4482@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3430

U.S. version. Purchased new approximately 3 months ago and is in perfect condition. Comes with all factory supplied accessories, original box and will include a Watson W889 telescoping antenna.

Asking $425.00

Please reply off list and thank you for reading my post.

John Schneider
thecop@optonline.net_____
_____ John Schneider ICQ#: 174209293 Current ICQ status: + More ways to contact me
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1646. Call for National Day of Prayer in View of Present Threats Against U.S.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-20 08:05:22 UTC
From: angelmystry@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021120030522.18548.00000170@mb-fp.aol.com>
Source record: 3431

http://www.angelmystry.com/seekye/worldprayer.htm

I have been moved to start a grassroots campaign to ask the President, Vice-President, Members of Congress and State Legislators to call for an IMMEDIATE National Day of Prayer to be held within the next 7 - 10 days. This would include all faiths, religious beliefs, etc., similar to the services held in Washington, D.C. and elsewhere following the September 11th tragedy.

This is calling for an email campaign so that our voices may be heard clearly by this nation's leaders. The campaign is to be extended to religious leaders, other organizations, etc., to get this whole country involved.

Please check out the following website, copy and paste to your heart's content, and email your legislators. We are in a time of sincere threats to our nation, and it is time that we pray humbly to God for His mercy and His blessings upon this nation and the world.

I respect each person's right to their own belief systems. I firmly believe that when this nation got on its knees and prayed, following 9/11, that many other disasters were mercifully stopped. I believe this intervention was God's response to the millions of prayers that were said worldwide.

You will find links on the page to a Contact Page with the email addresses, a Suggested Letter, What YOU Can Do, and under the link "One Nation Under God" copies of some of the wording of our nation's documents (with the words highlighted where they talk about our nation being founded on God's principles.)

Please feel free to write your own letters....I've worked for 12-18 hours/day for the past several days on all this and I'm beat, so I'm not sure that if I looked at it in the morning with a fresh cup of coffee, it would make complete sense. The good intentions, and the love of this country, and the people of the world should be enough! Please overlook the flaws, and jump in and let's see what we can do!

If you feel so moved, please also send a copy of this message and the website address to anyone else you think might also help.

We don't know HOW REAL these threats are, but if we unite now in prayer, collectively, perhaps further disasters will be averted through God's infinite mercy. Many of the other speakers I've known on Keen are being given visions, also. Please, PRAYERS ARE ANSWERED!!!

http://www.angelmystry.com/seekye/worldprayer.htm

May God Bless You All.

1647. FS: Sony AN-1 Active SWL Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-20 17:16:53 UTC
From: Rudi <wiedemann@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <9sPC9.94550$QZ.14553@sccrnsc02>
Source record: 3432
Cross-posted to:
alt.ham-radio.marketplace,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

SONY AN-1 Antenna Booster kit, manual, $149 new, asking $65 + shipping.

View one at:

http://www.universal-radio.com/catalog/sw_ant/2206.html

1648. Re: RTTY Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-21 00:50:04 UTC
From: bjorn890@aol.com57304573
Message-ID: <20021120195004.24903.00007823@mb-mp.aol.com>
Source record: 3433

MMTTY

There is plenty of DOS left in Windows, just make a boot disk!
Bjorn890

1649. Need help cross ref. this RF transistor CD3581 (marked CTC CD3581 C0721)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-22 00:11:04 UTC
From: Tony <as8383@netzero.net>
Message-ID: <sCeD9.15144$Gc.419841@twister.austin.rr.com>
Source record: 3434
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur

Can't find this thing in the cross ref. I have ..

It's a high power RF transistor and I think it's UHF (or at least usable there). I need to
know all the specs and what it crosses to.

Thanks,

N5GPI

1650. Re: Need help cross ref. this RF transistor CD3581 (marked CTC CD3581 C0721)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-22 09:54:01 UTC
From: "Mike G." <nospam@my.email.address>
Message-ID: <pnrrtuku8louk2gkuuhf5d4rqhqqigai5o@4ax.com>
Source record: 3435
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.hf,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur

N5GPI,

You probably WONT find it in any cross reference book either. That's an old CTC part from probably the 70's. Let's see, Acrian bought CTC back in the early 80's, then Acrian went out of business sometime later. GHz Technology picked up some of the product line and continued to manufacture it for customers left hanging by the Acrian crash. You might check with GHz. Here's a good page you can visit and maybe match up the case drawings with what you have and go from there...

http://www.ghz.com/products/vhf.aspx

Oh yeah, earlier this year GHz was bought by Advanced Power Technology, but they still maintain their old web site. If you see something close, drop them an email and ask about your part. Maybe they may still have an old CTC catalog laying around and could give you some info from it.

The last hope to find out anything would be Richardson Electronics. They have been distributing RF power transistors for longer than I've been around. I think they used to carry Acrian and CTC parts way back when. You can find them at http://rfwireless.rell.com/.

73's and good luck! (You'll probably need some!)
Mike - KD6PKJ

On Fri, 22 Nov 2002 00:11:04 GMT, "Tony" <as8383@netzero.net> wrote:

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>Thanks,
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>N5GPI

1651. ARNewsline 1318 - Nov 15 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-23 08:21:03 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021123032103.19745.00000263@mb-ba.aol.com>
Source record: 3436

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1318 – November 15, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1318 with a release date of Friday, November 15, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio is a lifeline after tornadoes hit on Sunday November 10th. Find out the details on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1318 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAM RADIO AND THE NOVEMBER 10th TORNADOES

Ham radio is called out after a series of tornadoes hit in several states east of the Continental divide. Thirty-five are confirmed dead. Damage is in the tens of millions. And ham radio becomes a life-line when all other communications fail. We start our coverage with Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, in our South-East bureau not far from one of the areas hardest hit:
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For Alabama, the night of November 10th is one for the record books. The small town of Carbon Hill was devastated. Ten people were killed there, and damage was extensive following two tornadoes--one of them, an F3 that cut a path of destruction measuring 46 miles. In all, 12 people died in Alabama.

Two counties away from Carbon Hill, amateur radio operators were on duty at the Weather Service's Birmingham Forecast Office, where forecasters were issuing a total of 46 Tornado Warnings. The ham radio group that works with the Weather Service is called the Alabama Emergency Response Team, or ALERT. Chuck Arthur, KF4SSX, is ALERT's President:

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Arthur: "It was very busy. We had four of our members down there from 4 p.m. until after 2 a.m. and we were busy the entire time we were down there"
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At one point, more than half a dozen Alabama counties--stretching from eastern Tennessee to eastern Mississippi--were all under Tornado Warnings at the same time.

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Arthur: "We are able to talk to all of the different storm-spotter nets across North Alabama and of coarse the National Weather Service coverage area and receive reports of damage, tornado touch-downs, hail and all of the important pertinent things that the Weather Service is interested in"

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Arthur says emergency communications were conducted on VHF and UHF frequencies:

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Arthur: “The storms came in from the South-West and moved all the way up through the North-East corner of the state three or four times in a row. We had multiple counties under tornado warnings at the same time so it makes it very busy”
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To the north, Tennessee was slammed hard by killer twisters, too. 17 deaths were reported statewide, making the outbreak one of Tennessee's deadliest. President Bush declared 16 Tennessee counties disaster areas. From Louisiana to Pennsylvania, 88 tornadoes were reported.

Another community hit hard was Van Wert, a town in western Ohio. Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, of the DX Audio Service is in nearby Lima Ohio has that part of the story.

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NOTE: DAVE BLACK TOSSES TO FRED VOBBE IN OHIO
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Sunday was cool and quiet, but when storms racing across Indiana quickly it heated up the amateur community in Van Wert, Ohio. The call for amateur assistance came as Van Wert Ohio E.M.A. Director Rick McCoy, operating the Van Wert Amateur Radio Club's W8FY, alerted hams to an approaching storm.

The storm spawned one tornado in the community of Berne, Indiana, but by the time the storm arrived in Van Wert there were reports of as many as four separate funnels.

Listening to ham traffic on the 146.850 repeater and public service channels was like listening to an attack from enemy. Call after call relayed the fact that there were tornadoes on the ground. Homes, businesses, and even a large power feeder tower buckled and fell to the ground as the winds from the F4 tornadoes tore up the once pristine countryside.

The initial storm spotters tracked the storm system as it entered Van Wert county, and then exited into Putnam County where it then hit Continental, Ohio. Later the storm touched down again in Huron and Sandusky Counties on the south shore of Lake Erie.

At one point a ham radio operator solemnly reported assistance as he came across a fatal. Hams assisted in pulling people out of homes that were flattened. Four people died, two in Putnam, and two in Van Wert County. The death toll in west central Ohio could have been higher had spotters, and the Van Wert County E.M.A., not worked cooperatively together. Hams reported to the Van Wert E.M.A. and an alert system used by the county which warned a group of school kids who escaped from a theater just seconds before it was reduced to rubble, leaving a small Toyota in row one. Citizens had as much as 28 minutes to prepare for the storm due to the efforts of hams

Ham involvement did not stop with spotting. Again, working with the Van Wert County E.M.A., hams assisted in damage assessment, helped in local shelters, located downed power lines, kept traffic and the curious out of devastated areas, and assisted police, fire, and EMTS operators with communications. Some hams stayed through the night manning communication centers, which helped authorities concentrate on the task of finding the missing, and assessing the damage.

The storm was compared to the April 3rd, 1974, tornado in Xenia, Ohio, where 33 lost their lives. Had it not been for ham radio operators working closely with authorities the death toll in Van Wert and Putnam would have been much higher.

In west central Ohio, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, reporting for Newsline
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You can see some of the damage from the storm at Fred's web site, www.vobbe.net/weather.

And one last thought: The tornadoes of November 11th are another reminder of the way a disaster can occur at any place and at any time. And when there is no other way to communicate ham radio is always ready to step in. (ARNewsline™)

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RADIO HORROR: AMATEUR OPERATOR MURDERED IN GAMBIA

A United Kingdom ham has been killed while on vacation. And as Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, tells us, it appears as if he was the victim of a rather violent crime.

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Ron Ford, G3NKO, has been murdered while visiting the Gambia. Ron, from Waterlooville in Hampshire, had built his own holiday accommodation in the Gambia, from where he operated as C56RF.

His body was found at the end of October and has been brought home for burial. It is thought that Ron was the victim of a robbery and the circumstances of the murder are now being investigated by officers of the Metropolitan Police.

Ron was an active member of the Royal Signals Amateur Radio Society, and was a regular check-in on the RSARS international net on 20-meters SSB from the Gambia. He had also held a number of other DX calls, including MP4BFH in Bahrain, MP4TBV from theTrucial States, VS2FN in Malaya and VS9AFR from Aden.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.
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As we go to air there has been no word from Gambian officials on where its investigation of this crime is leading. (GB2RS)

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RADIO SECURITY: BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY ON THE AIR

Use discretion an the air and help defeat the terrorists. That’s the sub title of Bill Sexton’s MARS column appearing in the December issue of

Worldradio Magazine. And in it, Sexton, who holds the call N1IN says that American’s now face a new concern over the indiscreet transmission of material that my seem harmless but which could be used against us by a terrorist enemy.

By way of example, Sexton cites the well published airline schedules that were used by al-Queda terrorists to coordinate their September 11th attacks on New York and Washington. This is material still available on every airlines website.

Sexton says that we all must all be concerned with what the military calls Operational Security or OPSEC. And he indicates that it is very important for hams to consider what they are saying on the air because you can never tell who listening in. And he says that even the most seemingly innocuous tidbits of information, monitored by hostile ears are probably being handed on to the enemy’s intelligence analysts in the hope it will reveal some weakness or secret that can be used against us.

Sexton covers quite a bit about domestic security and how you can do your part. You will find it beginning on page 50 of the December issue of Worldradio Magazine. More information is on the web at www.wr6wr.com. (Worldradio)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the N9BHA repeater serving Northeast Indiana.

(5 sec pause here)

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SPECTRUM POLICY: FCC CHAIRMAN WANTS TO REVAMP THE NATIONS RF AIRWAVES

The government's top communications regulator wants to revamp the nation's current policy on use of the public the airwaves. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the details:

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Federal Communications Commission Chairman Michael Powell says that he rejects the notion that there is not enough spectrum to go around for those who want it. And the FCC leader is proposing an almost total overhaul of the nations telecommunications policy involving radio frequencies used for everything from television broadcasts to wireless Internet devices and everything in-between.

Powell says he hopes technology and new FCC policies will take advantage of all empty and underused spectrum, possibly by using time sharing techniques. He says that recent tests conducted by his agency in five major U-S cities show that there are many under utilized spectral parcels available for sharing. This is especially true when some frequencies are used only at certain times of the day and are otherwise left empty.

What is evident is that the FCC is looking at ways to better utilize every hertz from D-C to light and beyond. And if a mandatory sharing of most spectrum is put in place there's a good chance that all hobby and personal radio -- including ham radio -- will be sharing in some future yet to be established all-digital domain.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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The frequency bands referred to by Chairman Powell were not detailed in the news release. (Various FCC and other news releases)

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SPECTRUM POLICY: AUSTRALIA ISSUES PAPER ON SPECTRUM USE

The United States is not the only place where spectrum use and bandspace is an issue. It's also under study in Australia where Q-News Trevor Tague, VK4BAT, tells us what the Australian Communications Agency is doing:

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The ACA has prepared a Discussion Paper outlining a range of issues relating to the operation of spectrum licensing and posing some questions for discussion.

The paper does not attempt to present the ACA's assessment of these issues but rather aims to provide a starting point for industry debate about the effectiveness of the spectrum licensing concept in the light of experience since its implementation in Australia some five years ago.

Trevor Tague, VK4BAT, reporting for Q-News.
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The Australian Communications Agency is soliciting input on this matter from the citizens of V-K. (Q-News)

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HAM RADIO EDUCATION: THE BIG PROJECT KEEPS GETTING BIGGER

Back here in the United States, the December issue of QST will feature an article on the American Radio Relay League's Education and Technology program better known as "The Big Project". And, according to an Internet posting to QRZed dot com by League President Jim Haynie, W5JBP, the program which got off the ground late last year grew to 26 schools in 2002.

When President Haynie proposed this project to the League's Board of Directors, he said that it should be funded by donations, not dues. That's exactly what has happened and he now says that he is gratified at the results to date.

W5JBP says that the Amateur Radio community has sent a loud and strong message that this is something that they want. He adds -- and we quote: "I, and the entire ARRL organization want to thank you for that support."

At least 14 more schools are lined up to join the Big Project in 2003. The full text of Jim Hayne’s posting is at www.qrz.com. (Adapted from QRZ.COM)

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ENFORCEMENT: WASHINGTON LAW NAILS SPAMMER

An Oregon man was ordered to pay nearly $100,000 in the first case brought under Washington state’s tough law against "spam" e-mails. Attorney General Christine Gregoire's office estimates that 28 year old Jason Heckel of Salem, sent as many as 20,000 unsolicited e-mails to Washington residents in 1998, trying to sell a $39.95 booklet called "How to Profit from the Internet."

The case was the first brought after the Legislature banned commercial e-mail with misleading information in the subject line, invalid reply addresses or disguised paths of transmission. Judge Douglass North ordered Heckel to pay a $2,000 fine and more than $94,000 in legal fees.

Heckel didn't appear in court. His lawyer Dale Crandall said he plans to appeal, Crandall says that state anti-spam laws violate the U.S. Constitution's protection of interstate commerce. (Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: OHIO HAM AGREES TO VOLUNTARY SUSPENSION

An Ohio ham has agreed to a voluntary one year suspension of his operating privileges. This after the FCC accused him of interfering with a Cincinnati area repeater system. The FCC’s Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, explains:

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Duckworth: “The Enfocement Bureau, by agreement, imposed a one year suspension on Gary R. Weiler, KI8DI, for interference to the K8CLA repeater system in Cincinnatti. The interference occurred in March.”
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Back in September the FCC sent Weiler a Warning Notice that alleged on several occasions he had deliberately interfered with the K8CLA repeater. That system is operated by the Cincinnati Amateur Radio Club which the FCC says assisted in tracing the interference to Weiler. By agreeing to the one year suspension Weiler avoided harsher enforcement action that could have included a hefty fine and the possible revocation of his amateur license. (FCC)

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REPEATER COORDINATION: METROCOR SAYS COORDINATION IS BACK IN NNJ-NYC-LI

Repeater coordination appears to have returned in and around the New York City area appears. This with word that MetroCor has issued its first coordination documents on October 24th to repeater systems that have had no changes from their prior coordination.

This marks the first time for any organization to issue any coordination documents within the area since the collapse of the Tri-State Amateur Repeater Council several years ago. All repeaters in the New York City, Northern New Jersey and Long Island New York areas are being asked to file with MetroCor by

December 1st so that it can meet the submission date deadlines of the various repeater directories.

More information and necessary documents are in cyberspace at www.qsl.net/metrocor. (MetroCor)

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RADIO LAW: COURT STRIKES DOWN DESCRIPTIVE VIDEO FOR THE BLIND

Bad news for the visually impaired. A Federal appeals court says that the FCC overstepped its authority in ordering broadcaster to provide descriptive video to accommodate the blind. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, reports:

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On Friday, November 8th the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit threw out Federal Communications Commission rules requiring television programs to include these oral descriptions of the action on the screen. In rendering its decision, the court said that Congress did not give the FCC the power to order the creation of this service.

The court maintained that Congress only authorized and ordered the commission to produce a report on how best to accommodate the needs of the visually impaired. Nothing more and nothing less. And that it definitely did not direct the agency to create a federal mandate that a descriptive audio service be made mandatory.

Under video description, a narrator describes the action during natural pauses between dialogue. The description is available on the secondary or SAP audio channel which is usually used for second language broadcasting.

The Motion Picture Association of America had challenged the rules in court. It claimed that the FCC was not authorized to issue them. Now, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit says that it agrees.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm, Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.
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Blind advocacy groups are criticizing the court decision. They say its a setback for those who are visually impaired. (Published reports)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today's radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: KENWOOD TO RESTRUCTURE

Some big changes at a company considered one of ham radios “big three. Ken Butler, W1NNR, tells about the news coming from Kenwood:

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Kenwood Corporation is merging five U.S. based subsidiaries. As part of the restructuring, Kenwood will combine home and car audio marketer Kenwood U-S-A, its repair company Kenwood Service, Kenwood Communications and Kenwood Systems with their parent Kenwood Americas. The merged entity will simply be called Kenwood.

As part of the merger, Kenwood will expand its U.S. based home and car audio engineering team. The communications business which includes Amateur Radio products will continue to maintain its own sales and marketing staff. The consolidation won't shut down any offices or warehouses and the company plans to add people in an engineering capacity.

Ken Butler, W1NNR.
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The changes here in the United States are a are part of a total Kenwood corporate restructuring announced earlier this year. (ARNewsline™ from press release)

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OUR HERITAGE: KFBK AT AGE 80

Former Amateur Radio Newsline reporter Ross Du Clair, WA6VWY, passes along word that Sacramento California radio station has made history. This, as KFBK-AM 1530 celebrates its 80th birthday this month.

Ross is the Chief Engineer for several stations including KFBK. He says that his station began as the broadcast arm of McClatchy Newspapers in February of 1922. McClatchy is best known as the publisher of the Sacramento Bee.

Today KFBK is owned by Clear Channel Communications, of Austin, Texas. Over the years, KFBK engineers contributed many innovations to the radio broadcast industry. This includes the creation of the Ampliphase Modulation system adopted by RCA.

The station officially celebrated its "birthday" Friday 8 November 2002 at the Sacramento Hyatt Regency. The legendary Rush Limbaugh was to be the guest of honor. Limbaugh began his meteoric rise in talk radio from the studios of KFBK. (WA6VWY)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: ISS EXPEDITION 6 ARE ALL HAMS

The new ISS Expedition 6 crew are all of licensed radio amateurs. They are U-S Astronauts Ken Bowersox KD5JBP and Don Pettit KD5MDT. Leading the team is Russian Cosmonaut Nikolai Budarin R-V3FB.

The launch of Space Shuttle Endeavour was planned for November 11th. It was halted only minutes before liftoff when a small oxygen leak was detected. A new launch date is tentatively set for Monday November 18th.

The STS-113 flight of Space Shuttle Endeavour is scheduled as an 11-day mission. During the seven days the shuttle will be docked to the Station, three spacewalks will be performed in addition to delivering the new crew. (AMSAT)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: THE LEONID METEORS ARE COMING

Sky & Telescope magazine reports the Leonid meteor shower is due to sweep across Earth during the early morning hours of Tuesday, November 19th. If the weather is clear, we could be in for a grand celestial show. And many meteor scatter enthusiasts are expected to be on the air attempting to make contact by bounding signals off the ionized meteor tails as they burn up in the planets atmosphere. (Various sources)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: RAC VP RESIGNS

Radio Amateurs of Canada has announced the resignation of is First Vice President Joe MacPherson. MacPherson cited irreconcilable interpersonal differences with some members of the Board of Directors as the reason for his reason to stand down from the RAC Executive. A replacement for MacPherson will be named within next few weeks. (RAC)

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CONTESTS

Turning to the contest calendar, word that the Bulgarian L Z DX contest begins at 12:00 U-T-C on Saturday November 16th and runs for 24 hours. This is a C-W only event taking place on 80 through 10 meters. The approved contest exchange is an R-S-T report and your I-T-U Zone. (GB2RS)

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DX

In D-X, word that OH0Z on Aland Island will be active during the November 23rd to the 24th CQ WW CW Contest. He will be operating in the single operator, all band category. QSLs via Ari Korhonen, OH5DX, at his callbook address. (GB2RS)

And KX7YT is active on 10, 15 and 20 meters SSB and PSK31 as S-21-Y-V from Bangladesh. He will be there through the 4th of December. Q-S-L this one as directed on the air. (Modern DX)

Higher in frequency, the GB3VHF 144 MHz propagation beacon was removed from service on November 2nd for maintenance and was expected to be for one week. (RSGB)

And the GB3BUX 50 MHz beacon has suffered antenna damage due to storms a couple of weekends ago. It is currently running at reduced capability as a result. Its sponsor says that repairs will be made as time and weather conditions permit. (RSGB)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: FCC HONORS WORLD WAR II COMANCHE CODE TALKERS

About a year ago Amateur Radio Newsline told you about a very special group of Native Americans who’s linguistic ability made battlefield communications secure during World War II. Now, the Federal Communications Commission has taken the time to honor this group for id dedication to our nation. Amateur Radio Newsline’s Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the rest of the story:

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The Comanche Code Talkers were members of a specialized communications unit of the U.S. Army 4th Signal Corps. And using their ancestral Comanche language they created an unbreakable code used by Allied Forces on the battlefields of Europe. Now, decades later our own Federal Communications Commission has paused to honor this group of Native Americans for their meritorious service to our nation.

Charles Chibitty of Tulsa, Oklahoma was the FCC's guest of honor at the recent ceremony. He told how he and 16 other young men, who had grown up together and were all members of the Comanche Tribe of Oklahoma, used the Comanche language and their Army communications skills to create a military intelligence code that was never broken by the enemy.

Even more interesting, Chibitty also shared anecdotes from their enlistment and training. He explained that they even had to create Comanche code words for "bomber" and "tank." These are words that did not exist in the Comanche language.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP.
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Chibitty is a decorated veteran and the last surviving member of the 16 Comanche Code Talkers. You can read more at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-228074A1.doc (CGC Communicator, FCC)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Jim Damron, N8TMW and I’m Jeff Clark, K8JAC, saying 73 and we thank you for listening."
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1652. WTB: Like New Yaesu FT 225RD

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-23 13:19:10 UTC
From: bobnrx@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021123081910.04195.00006374@mb-mo.aol.com>
Source record: 3437

Hi Name is Bob -- I am looking to buy a Like new yaesu FT 225RD all mode 2 meter rig -- I want one like new -- does anyone have one they would like to part with
please send e mail to bobnrx@aol.com

Thanks for reading

1653. Recommendations for VHF Amp/FT-847

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-23 18:22:48 UTC
From: MIke <kyw1060@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <sE-dnZqGsbcUWkKgXTWcpQ@comcast.com>
Source record: 3438

I am looking for recommendations for a VHF Amp for my FT-847.....I am a new Technician and the power I have is not cutting it for my Antenna height. I am using a duplexer since I have a dual band antenna MFJ Pulsar 2/70cm I assume with an amp that this will not be a problem but understand I should turn my amp off when I decide to go on UHF...There's not any UHF traffic here in Northern Delaware anyway. I was looking at the Mirage that allows 10 watts in 160 out and I am using an Astron PS model VS-35...it can do 35Amps...any help on recommendations will help as I will inquire on the air and get myself educated. Thanks
KB3IUL Mike

1654. FS-Kenwood AT-130 Ant Tuner

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-23 20:35:06 UTC
From: Bill <jwgardiner@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <_DRD9.121770$nB.10068@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3439

Excellent condition tuner from non-smoking shack.
Am about to relist on Ebay because the bidder backed out
without contacting me. His winning bid was $98.00 plus
shipping from Pittsburgh, Pa.
I will be listing again from Ebay next week.
Email if interested jwgardiner@attbi.com

1655. Re: RTTY Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-25 10:25:28 UTC
From: Fred Zepp <jca1954@irpimus.com.au>
Message-ID: <3de206f7_1@news.iprimus.com.au>
Source record: 3440

As the other poser mentioned, try MMTTY or have a look at MIXW for RTTY and other modes.......
"Capn Crunch" <manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot> wrote in message news:20021119024815.03620.00000258@mb-ma.aol.com...
> I've got a rigblaster and I'm interested in RTTY..anyone have any favorite
> software for this and other like modes. I tried TrueTTY and liked it but would
> like to hear other options.

1656. homebrew details packet modem

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-25 13:13:05 UTC
From: rao_vasu@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3f4c0ce3.0211250513.32c16864@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3441

Hi Netters,
I am interested in making a packet modem for 2 meter operation. If anybody has the schematics, details, links etc. Please inform me.

73s
VU3BIP

1657. FS>>Icom IC-W32A h/t

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-25 13:22:36 UTC
From: John Schneider <thecop@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <wupE9.6464$Go1.4898@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3442

Selling an Icom w32a in as new condition. Will be shipped in original box with original manual/quick programming reference and stock antenna, battery and charger. This h/t has very little use, (used primarily as a scanner).

Asking $200.00 + $10.00 shipping/ins.

Please e-mail direct.

John Schneider, KB2COP
thecop@optonline.net
_____ John Schneider ICQ#: 174209293 Current ICQ status: + More ways to contact me
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1658. Silent Key lists from QST

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-25 15:45:08 UTC
From: Gerry <noway@nospam.com>
Message-ID: <8ArE9.25716$mL2.843@nwrddc01.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3443
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur

Someone has been kind enough to enter the info from the Silent Key column in QST, from 1993 to the present, into a database. It may be viewed at www.cebuana.net/qst-sk.html

Beware that it is a very large file and takes a while, especially if you don't have DSL, T1, or cable access.

Also be aware that deaths are listed in the SK column only if someone reports them to the ARRL-- i.e., many deaths are not reflected there.

If you go to www.cebuana.net I think you'll find a way to download your own copy of the file, either in MS-Excel or MS-Works database format. Either way, beware that it's LARGE.

73 de W2GERry

1659. Want The Latest In New Ham Websites??

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-25 16:15:35 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <H0sE9.35213$ro.1478350@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3444

Try URL:
http://ac6v.com/new.htm

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com

1660. Re: FS-Kenwood AT-130 Ant Tuner

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-25 19:43:06 UTC
From: Bill <jwgardiner@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <d3vE9.137221$nB.11012@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3445

Sold...sorry

"Bill" <jwgardiner@attbi.com> wrote in message
news:_DRD9.121770$nB.10068@sccrnsc03...
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> Email if interested jwgardiner@attbi.com
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1661. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-26 04:21:29 UTC
From: Alun Palmer <elektros@yahoo.com>
Message-ID: <Xns92D1ED9457EC9elektrosmdonet@130.133.1.4>
Source record: 3446
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment
Body handling: HTML body converted to readable text

Mark Russo wrote in
news:3DD024A3.476115E@optonline.net:

> EA5WC is not a ham call, anywhere.
> Look on the ARRL call sign server and the international servers.
> Be thankful that you never sent him the radio first.
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> Good Luck
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> 73, Mark N2FLF
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> Andy KC2SSB wrote:
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>> EA5WC - do not do business with this ham. He won the auction for my
>> Kenwood TM-G707A and never paid. He never replied to my email after I
>> gave him the total. I sent several payment reminders and even filed a
>> non-paying bidder complaint. Avoid any dealings with him.
>> =-
>> 73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
>> Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
>
> --------------40B631692D7B640FAD33E101
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73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
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Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
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href="http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com">http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
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> Attachment decoded: untitled-3.htm
> --------------40B631692D7B640FAD33E101--

Try looking up the right call. EA5WV lives in Benidorm according to RAC
2003.

1662. Vibroplex BUG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-26 18:31:07 UTC
From: ku4qw@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <9b945243.0211261031.78ec2dd1@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3447
Cross-posted to:
rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Vibroplex Bug
Users
Group

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vibroplexbug/

Please Drop by and say hello, tell bug stories, swap bugs (buy&sell)
or anything vibroplex related...

73,
Jim - ku4qw

1663. RCI 2970 Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-27 17:33:18 UTC
From: trout <trout@nycap.rr.com>
Message-ID: <9saauu035gvu5amci97kenotios0b59kl2@4ax.com>
Source record: 3448
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.cb

I would like to replace the 2SB754 (Q51) with
the 2SB688 for better modulation.

What are the pros and cons to making this
radio modification ? Would it be harmful
to use a power mike once done ?

Anything else needed to be done once this
transistor is replaced ?

Any other diodes or resistors needed to be addressed ?

1664. Re: RCI 2970 Question

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-27 18:15:59 UTC
From: * RADIOSERVICE 39 * <cbradioservice@poczta.gazeta.pl>
Message-ID: <as3253$j5l$1@news.gazeta.pl>
Source record: 3449
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.cb

Put TIP 36 C it's much better.
There are many mods more ...
Best regards,
Chris,
Poland

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-= RADIOSERVICE 39 =-
radio39@wp.pl
radioservice39@poczta.onet.pl
cbradioservice@wp.pl
GG # 2184191
ICQ # 146776296
+48 603 360 445
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Uzytkownik "trout" <trout@nycap.rr.com> napisal w wiadomosci
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Serwis Usenet w portalu Gazeta.pl -> http://www.gazeta.pl/usenet/

1665. copying cw on a computer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-28 06:35:01 UTC
From: rb <rbigg@seii.net>
Message-ID: <as4d94$16v$1@news.utelfla.com>
Source record: 3350

Got a question for you guys who use a computer monitor to decode and display CW. How does the eqpt handle simultaneous signals? Do I need to null and notch out all but the one I want to copy? Seems anything that is confusing to the ear would also be confusing to the computer software.

1666. Last time I saw the14thdisciple ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-28 14:32:37 UTC
From: deano@cytag.nl
Message-ID: <2e3b9027.0211280632.4753d083@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3351
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.international,alt.radio.internet

... The last time I saw the14thdisciple he was busy stuffing 2 of every kind of animal he could find into his trousers, saying something about '40 days and 40 nights' and 'got to keep the beavers DRY!'

It's possible he ran out of room in his pants or perhaps became swamped by the larger creatures (elephants, giraffes - you get the picture?)

We've put out a call to the local hospitals but unless we come across someone with a zoo down his knickers we're unlikely to find him easily ....

Let us know if you see him? Listen to www.cytag.nl/listen.ram with RealAudio for regular updates. In the meantime we'll play you topnotch music, bring you items from Doctor Partz, Francis Walkfoot, Soloman Beasts plus comedy * chat with me, DeanoDeano and - of course - the14thdisciple!

Hugs
Deano

Glen Miller - alive and trapped beneath a GREAT BIG TUBA!
the14thdisciple & Freands www.cytag.nl/listen.ram Tuesdays 7 - 11pm GMT

1667. Quiet NG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-28 20:51:22 UTC
From: John Anderson <johnandeNOSPAM@interl.net>
Message-ID: <flvF9.15717$0n4.2308575@newsfeed.slurp.net>
Source record: 3352

Do many people read this NG?
Seems fairly quiet.

John Anderson K0BKL

http://www.k0bkl.org

1668. Re: Quiet NG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-28 20:54:10 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <SnvF9.19072$kz4.1117225@news2.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3353

Tis quiet for sure. Guess -- Most use the others:

rec.radio.amateur.antenna
Antenna theory and construction.
rec.radio.amateur.boatanchors
Old Time Ham Gear News Group
rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc
Digital Radio, Packet, AMTOR, G-TOR and Other TORS
rec.radio.amateur.dx
Amateur Radio DX News Group
rec.radio.amateur.equipment
Amateur Radio Hardware.
rec.radio.amateur.homebrew
Construction and Experimentation.
rec.radio.amateur.misc
Radio Practices, Contests, Events, etc.
rec.radio.amateur.policy
Radio use & regulation policy.
rec.radio.amateur.space
Space and Satellites
rec.radio.broadcasting
Broadcast Radio
rec.radio.info
Informational postings related to radio. (Moderated)
rec.radio.noncomm
Topics relating to noncommercial radio.
rec.radio.scanner
Broadcasting traffic above 30 MHz.
rec.radio.shortwave
Shortwave radio enthusiasts.
rec.radio.swap
Sell, Buy, Trade and Swap of Radio Equipment
rec.antiques.radio+phono
Antique Radios
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> John Anderson K0BKL

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> http://www.k0bkl.org
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1669. Re: Quiet NG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-28 21:59:06 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <KkwF9.168155$nB.13769@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3354

Yeah...it is fairly quiet...which can be good-:) Happy Thanksgiving.

Bill
KC4KMG
Web Site: www.polkcounty.org/radiofun
ICQ: 11908449
Yahoo Mess: Hitradio93Q
AOL Instant Mess: Hitradio93Q

"John Anderson" <johnandeNOSPAM@interl.net> wrote in message
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1670. Digitized Repeater Maps for Hampton Roads VA

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-28 23:59:46 UTC
From: N4RPD <n4rpd@cox.net>
Message-ID: <S5yF9.52263$wc2.1847997@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 3355
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

Visit my HAM Radio Webpage featuring Digitized Repeater Maps for Hampton Roads, VA:

http://www.qsl.net/n4rpd

73,
Rob N4RPD

1671. ARNewsline 1319 - Nov 22 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-29 05:10:21 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021129001021.05372.00005483@mb-mq.aol.com>
Source record: 3356

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1319 – November 22, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1319 with a release date of Friday, November 22, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ohio's Governor praises hams for their November 10th tornado response and self enforcement really works. Find out what we mean on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1319 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HIGH PRAISE FOR TORNADO HAMS

Some high praise for Amateur Radio from some high ranking Ohio state officials. This following last weeks deadly tornado that hit the town of Van Wert. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, tells us how the accolades came about:

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Ron Moorefield, W8ILC, is the West Central Ohio ARES District Emergency Coordinator and well known throughout the area for his work in emergency communications. And on Wednesday November 13th Moorefield says that he spent time in the Ohio Emergency Management Situation Room with Govenor Bob Taft and Ohio State E-M-A Director Dale Shipley.

Moorefield tells Amateur Radio Newsline that both men stated without any reservation that it was the volunteer efforts of the regions ham radio operators that really saved the community of Van Wert on November 10th. This, through their efforts in the Skywarn program and providing early warnings. W8ILC adds that both men had a high praise for all aspects of the Amateur Radio service.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF
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Hams across the Mid-West and into the South-Central and South East activated on November 10th. They were active in spotter and emergency nets before, during and after numerous killer tornadoes struck the region. As previously reported, this years SKYWARN recognition Day is Saturday, December 7th. (ARNewsline(tm))

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INTERNATIONAL - SOLOMON ISLANDS: FIRST NATIVE HAMS GRADUATE

The remote Solomon Islands now has a native ham and C-B radio population of its own. This, as the first group of trainees graduate from a special licensing class. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, has the rest of the story:

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On the 25th of October, the Prime Minister of the Solomon Islands attended a special graduation ceremony at which he presented 21 students with certificates marking their successful completion of an amateur radio training course. The students were the first native-born Solomon Islanders to graduate from a unique school set up by Australian radio amateur Sam Voron to bring amateur radio to the people of the Solomons for the first time. All other Solomon Island licensees were ex-patriate amateurs.

At the ceremony, the deputy head of the Australian High Commission in the Solomons presented each student with a CB or amateur radio transceiver which had been donated by overseas amateurs and CB operators, while the Minister of Home Affairs gave each student an antenna.

School radio clubs might like foreign amateur radio operators visiting the Solomon Islands are welcome to stay at the school and help the students.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH
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Not mentioned in the story is that Sam Voron's call sign is VK2BVS. Also, school radio clubs worldwide might like to keep an eye on 28.490MHz. Thats where the Solomon Islands ham radio school has already many contacts. (GB2RS)
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ADVANCED PROPAGATION: THE LEONID METEOR SHOWER REPORT

A possible new record for 222 MHz meteor scatter. Ron Marosco, K5LLL, in Mc Dade Texas reports over the VHF Reflector that Tom Haddon, K5VH, worked Peter Macgregor Shilton, VE3AX, during the Leonid meteor storm on Monday, November 18th. K5VH is located in Dipping Springs Texas while VE3AX is in Cayuga Ontario Canada. Ron estimates the distance between the two stations was in the order of 1300 miles.

As for himself, K5LLL says that he made only 16 QSO’s this year. He says that’s about a quarter the number made 12 months ago.

Out West, W6GYD says that he worked 14 stations on the rocks beginning at about 08:45 UTC and ending his operation at 12:01 UTC. Not bad when you consider that he was running only an Icom IC-756 bare foot to a 5 element Telrex beam at 13 meters elevation. (VHF Reflector)

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SELF ENFORCEMENT: BEACON QRM'S SPACE – HAM TAKES IT OFF THE AIR

Now the story of a UHF beacon with a signal that was a bit to good. And as its owner explained on the VHF Reflector, a complaint came from an unexpected source. And. as Amateur Radio Newsline's Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, tells us it had to do with the final frontier:

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Within 48 hours of turning up his new 1296.300 Mhz beacon in Derry, New Hampshire, Ed Parsons K1TR, received a phone call and a signal report from the Chief Engineer at the Millstone Hill Observatory in Westford, MA. This would

turn out to be the first, last and only QSN report the beacon would receive.

The good news: the observatory hearing it loud and clear! The bad news: The observatory was hearing it loud and clear. So loud that the engineer told K1TR that the beacon's signal was impacting the observatory's capability to track satellites in certain directions. Also, that the recipient of the satellite tracking information, the US Air Force, would not be pleased.

It seem that the Air Force radar uses about 8 Mhz of spectrum centered at 1295 Mhz. They use an 80 foot dish for an antenna. The K1TR beacon was less than 30 miles line of sight from the observatory.

So the Ed's 23cm beacon is off the air while he finds a new home for it. Anyone with a good UHF site more than 50 miles from the town of Westford but still in New England, and who is willing to host the beacon, should contact K1TR by e-mail to esparsons@lucent.com

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ
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K1TR says that a companion 33 cm beacon is still on the air. He says that signal reports are still appreciated for this one. (VHF Reflector)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the Southcoast Radio Amateur Network serving Los Angeles California.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SAYS YES TO SCHOENBOHM

The FCC is granting the application of Herbert L. Schoenbohm for an Amateur Radio station license and a General class operators license.

According to the W5YI Report, the decision was adopted by Administrative Law Judge Arthur Steinberg on October 9th as a follow-on to a May 7th hearing to determine if the former ham possessed the requisite character qualifications to be a Commission licensee. If no objections were filed with the regulatory agency prior to November 9th, this initial decision becomes effective on November 29th.

Whether or not Schoenbohm will be granted his old KV4FZ call sign remains to be seen. It has not yet been reassigned and appears to be available callsign pool. (W5YI)

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ENFORCEMENT: NEW MEXICO STATION FINED FOR EXCEEDING RADIATION EXPOSURE RADIATION

FCC enforcement reaches the “Land of Enchantment.” This as the agency proposes to fine A-O Broadcasting $28,000 for alleged violations of the radio frequency radiation exposure limits applicable to transmitters on towers and for other rules.

A-O Broadcasting is the licensee of FM radio station KTMN in Cloudcroft, New Mexico. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennent, K6PZW, tells us why the fine is being levied:

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The most serious charge by the FCC says that KTMN exceeded the radio frequency radiation exposure limits in publicly accessible areas. The FCC maintains that measurements taken by the agents showed that operation of KTMN’s transmitting antenna at only 40% of its authorized power created radio frequency radiation fields which exceeded the exposure limits for the general public by more than 300%. That engineering snafu will cost them $10,000.

Failure to install E-A-S equipment brings another $8,000 assessment while not having a main studio is another $7,000. Lastly, failure to have what the FCC calls an adequate transmission system control is a $3,000 fine.

It should be noted that this is the first case in which the Commission has proposed a monetary forfeiture for a violation of the radio frequency radiation exposure limits.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW.

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As usual, A-O Broadcasting has the customary time period to respond. More is on the web at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-228609A1.doc (FCC, CGC)

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ENFORCEMENT: CALIFORNIA RACEWAY GETS FINE REDUCED

Still with enforcement news, the famed California Speedway in the city of Fontana, California, has been fined $8,000 for operating an unlicensed one-watt FM transmitter on 104.7 MHz. The fine was reduced from $10,000 originally proposed, because of Speedway's otherwise good compliance record with the Commission's rules in regard to other FCC permits that it holds. This one is in cyberspace at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-02-3105A (FCC, CGC)

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THE WEB: UK HAM ASKS HELP IN LOCATING E-MAIL PIRATE

A United Kingdom ham says that he did not originate some nasty e-mails bearing his name and he needs your help to find out who did.

Brian Jones, G8ASO, of Worcester, England says that his name and callsign are being pirated on e-mail that carries what's being described as a rather distasteful message. According to the GB2RS News, Jones says that he is not the originator of those messages. Also, that he is equally appalled by their

content.

Since e-mail can originate anywhere in the world and is very hard to trace, G8ASO is asking your help to track down the originator. If you have knowledge of the person responsible for the unwanted messages please e-mail Brian at bajones@worcester.demon.co.uk. Your information may be useful in an investigation that is now underway. (GB2RS)

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WITH THE HANDI HAMS: MALIBU CAMP OPEN FOR ENROLLMENT

Enrollment is open for the Handi Hams Winter Radio Camp in the Malibu California. The session runs Sunday, March 2 through Sunday, March 9,2003, at Camp Joan Mier overlooking the mighty blue Pacific Ocean.

The Malibu California Camp is open to Handi Ham members with disabilities, and will offer numerous study opportunities to upgrade licenses and learn new communications technology . If you are interested in attending please e-mail Pat Tice at wa0tda@arrl.net. More information is on the web at www.handiham.orrg (HandiHams)

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HAM RADIO BUSINESS: KOTT REPLACES MC CUSKER AS WORLDRADIO EDITOR

Worldradio Magazine has announced the appointment of Nancy Kott, WZ8C, as its new Editor. Kott replaces Rick McCusker, WF6O, who left the magazine on 13th November for a career in Law Enforcement with the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department.

Regular listeners will recognize Kott as a long time writer of the "Positively CW" column appearing in Worldradio. She also is the Editor of the FISTS Club magazine "Keynote." For those not aware, FISTS is the world-wide More code preservation society.

Nancy Kott is a resident of Metamora Michigan. As such she is part of a new breed of magazine Editor telecommuting to work. Worldradio Magazine is headquartered in Sacramento California. (Worldradio)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org.

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HAM RADIO POLITICS: MEETING TO UNDERSTAND EMC COMPATIBILITY

Ham radio will have a forum of its own at next springs IEEE International Symposium on Electromagnet Compatibility slated for Istanbul Turkey from May 11th to the 16th.

World Radio 2003 will take place in Geneva in June and July 2003. There are several important issues for radio amateurs on the agenda most of them impose a threat from various interest groups on the frequencies allocated to the Amateur Radio Services.

Realizing the significance of the threat to ham radio from radio frequency compatibility issues, the Organizing Committee of the 2003 IEEE International Symposium on EMC, has allocated a special session in this Symposium to deal with problems related to the Amateur Radio Services. This will be the last chance prior to the next World Radiocommunications Conference for ham radio to meet with key persons from the international EMC and Radio community, researchers, regulators and others, exchange views and influence the decisions.

And hams with knowledge in this area are also being invited to provide formal papers, informal papers or a presentation for the conference. More details are in cyberspace at www.ortra.com/emc2003. Just click on the hyperlink marked "Radio Amateurs". (IEEE, ANS)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: CANADIAN HAMS TO PARTICIPATE IN 5 MEGS EXPERIMENT

A Canadian Amateur Radio Club will be taking part in the 5 Megs Experiment. The Marconi Amateur Radio Club of Newfoundland, under the leadership of Joe Craig, VO1NA, will be conducting a three phase propagation experiment at approximately 5.3 Mhz from the 22nd to the 25th of November, the 20th to the 23rd of December and finally from June 20th the 23rd of 2003.

The call sign will be VO1MRC with operation planned on or near 5.260, 5.269, 5.280, 5.290, 5.319 and 5.329 Mhz. Also the possibility of some time on 5.400 and 5.405 MHz as well.

All operation will be on CW and upper sideband. For further details, contact Joe Craig, VO1NA ny e-mail to jcraig@morgan.ucs.mun.ca. (RAC)

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ON THE NET: QCWA QSO PARTY RULES ON THE WEB

N0UF reports over the Quarter Century Wireless Associations internet remailer that the rules for the 47th Annual QCWA QSO Parties are now on the QCWA web site at. Its in cyberspace at www.qcwa.org/qsoparty.htm A 2Ø03 Log Sheet and Multiplier Sheet can also be downloaded from the website as well. The 2Ø03 QCWA QSO Parties will be held on April 5th and October 4th of 2003. (QCWA)

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DX

In D-X, Albania is on the air. A DXpedition team made up of OH2BH, OH2PM, OH5BM and OH8SR arrive in Tirana on Sunday, November 17th. They set up two stations for a one-week activation of ZA1B. Their operation includes the CQ World Wide C-W Contest, with the team's entry planned in the multi-two category. QSL via OH2BH. (OH2BH)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: GUY WIRE RETENSIONING, LAKE TAHOE STYLE

And finally this week the sad story of KTHO radio in South Lake Tahoe, Nevada. The 590 kHz A-M station was off the air for over a day recently after its AC power and phone lines were destroyed by wind, fire, and falling trees. But it did luck out in a way because its transmission tower is still standing. Well, kind of.

According to Bob Gonsett's C-G-C Communicator, the story goes this way. High winds caused trees to fall onto the guy wires of the station's 305-foot tower. Near disaster yes, but not quite.

Thanks to the Forest Service the tower did not collapse. The crew carefully cut the fallen trees piece-by-piece, gradually reducing the stress on the guy wires rather than allowing them to loosen suddenly.

Thats the good news. The bad news is that the tower is now bent. You can see what it looks like in a photo sequence taken by Bill Kingman, the Chief Engineer of KTHO. It’s in cyberspace at www.steveblodgett.com/ktho.html (CGC)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

With thanks to Alan Labs, Amateur News Weekly, AMSAT, the ARRL, the CGC Communicator, CQ Magazine, the FCC, the Ohio Penn DX Bulletin, Radio Netherlands, Rain, the RSGB and Australia's Q-News, that's all from the Amateur Radio Newsline(tm). Our e-mail address is newsline @arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP, saying Happy Thanksgiving, 73 and we thank you for listening."
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1672. Re: Quiet NG

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-29 10:06:29 UTC
From: "Mike G." <nospam@my.email.address>
Message-ID: <codeuus2m253p0jbggfut5f8516l8qid78@4ax.com>
Source record: 3357

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Is that any better?

1673. ARNewsline 1320 - Nov 29 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-29 18:08:32 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021129130832.10484.00000394@mb-cg.aol.com>
Source record: 3358

Amateur Radio Newsline Report 1320 - November 29, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1320 with a release date of Friday, November 29, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. The International space station gets a new crew and all are ham radio operators. Newly licensed Solomon Island hams take on an emergency communications challenge and good news for a California ham. These stories and more are coming your way on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1320 right now.

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: NEW ALL HAM CREW ARRIVES AT ISS

The international Space Station has a new crew which plans to start operating the ARISS Amateur Radio station in about three weeks. They boarded the staton on Monday the 25th of November. They plan to be there for about 6 months. All three are licensed hams.

Look for Ken Bowersox KD5JBP, Nikolai Budarin RV3FB and Don Pettit, KD6MDT. They will use the Space Stations calls ... RS0ISS over Europe and NA1SS for the United States. Contacts can be heard on the downlink frequency of 145.80 MHz.

They replace Peggy Whitson, Valerie Korzun and Sergi Treschev. Valerie, RZ3FK, was very active, on the air almost every day, while Peggy conducted many memorable school contacts. (ARISS)

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RESCUE RADIO: SOLOMON ISLAND NEWS HAMS PROVIDE DISASTER RELIEF

We reported their graduation last week. And while the signatures on their ham licenses may not yet be dry, a group of Solomon Island hams are already off on their first rescue radio adventure to Malaita Island:

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Thats right Roy. Q-News reports that three graduates from the Amateur Radio Training School of the Solomon Islands have gone by ship to provide emergency communications for flood affected areas on Malaita Island, near Guadalcanal. With them are with 19 tons of rice along with officials of the National Disaster Council.

These new Hams will operate a ham radio station at the Red Cross clinic on South Malaita island. They will report on the distribution of supplies to the National Disaster Council HQ in the Capital of Solomon Islands.

This is the first humanitarian deployment of the school's initial graduates. It also provides the Solomon Island hams their first real experience in helping people with radio knowledge of Amateur Radio.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.

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The three hams making the trip are identified as H44MKA, H44WSB and H44SF. As we go to air they should be operational from a Red Cross clinic set up on the south end of the island. More information is on the web at www.h44A.com (Q-News)

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RADIO POLITICS: HAM CCR BILL DIES AS CONGRESS CONCLUDES SESSION

The 107th Congress has adjourned without taking any action on an ARRL sponsored legislative measure to free Amateur Radio of land use restrictions commonly known as C-C and R's. The ARRL indicates it plans to try again when the 103rd Congress convenes early in 2003. (ARRL)

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RADIO AND THE LAW: CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT SIDES WITH HAM

Still with antennas and land use, we have an update on the court battle of Mark Abrams, WA6DPB versus the city of Rancho Palos Verdes California. Amateur radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the good news:

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The good news is that the California Supreme Court has upheld the right of a California property owner to use antennas on his property for any reason he wants. It did so on Friday, November 15th when it denied the request of the the City of Rancho Palos Verdes to hear an appeal of the decision of the California State Court of Appeals in the case of The City of Rancho Palos Verdes vs. Mark J. Abrams. This means that the decision of the Court of Appeals is now state law.

The earlier decision of the said that Amateur Radio operators are entitled to an "exalted" status, thus giving amateurs new hope for getting antenna arrays approved. And Abrams says that there are many precedents that can be extrapolated from this ruling, but he says that the case clearly establishes that a city in California cannot tell a resident what to do with an antennas once they approve the actual array.

According to Abrams, the legal precedent applies only to California. But he says that when most states are looking to set a precedent, they will look to either California or New York. And since there is no precedent in New York on this subject, it makes California the one to serve as a guide to other states.

For the Amateur Radio, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles. (WA6DPB)
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Abrams tells Amateur Radio Newsline that he is now going to file with the Federal Court of Appeals to declare the City's appeal of his injunction against the City of Rancho Palos Verdes as moot.

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WE4B repeater of the Palmetto Amateur Radio Club serving Miami Florida.

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RESCUE: ZL1AMO REPORTED ON LIFE SUPPORT
The Radio Society of Great Britain reports that well-known D-X'peditioner Ron Wright, ZL1AMO, has been taken ill. According to Wright's daughter Terri, her dad suffered collapsed lungs while in Fiji. He was air lifted by an emergency air ambulance to Auckland New Zealand where he was initially reported to be in critical condition and on life support.
A later report from Terri Wright says that her father is currently in stable but guarded condition. The RSGB says that Wright had been operating from Fiji as 3D2RW. Regular updates on Wrights condition are being posted to the web at www.papays.com/opdx.html (RSGB, ZL2BHF)

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ENFORCEMENT: EX-HAM ARRESTED FOR ALLEGED ATTACK ON POLICE OFFICER

A former ham who resigned from Amateur Radio has been arrested in the hills of North Carolina following a manhunt that has lasted over a year. Steve Anderson, the ex-AA8DP, is accused of shooting at a police officer.

Anderson was a member of the Kentucky State Militia, a civilian paramilitary group, until April 2001. As previously reported, that militia group dismissed Anderson because he refused to shut down his unlicensed radio operation. (Published news reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: ATT FINED FOR TOWER VIOLATIONS

The Federal Communications Commission has released an order imposing a $117,000 fine against AT&T Wireless Services, Inc. for safety-related violations of the Communications Act and the Commission's antenna structure rules. This action follows routine antenna structure inspections and related investigations conducted by Commission field offices throughout the country.

Before issuing the fine the FCC determined that AT&T Wireless committed seven separate violations of the antenna structure requirements as outlined under Part 17 of the Commission's rules. Included were failure to register, light, and paint antenna structures, and failure to post antenna structure registration numbers at the base of the antenna structures. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: VICTORVILLE CA PIRATE STILL ON THE AIR

Another unlicensed station has been discovered in California. According to Chris Compton writing in the CGC Communicator, he noticed a pirate operating on 90.9 MHz in Victorville while driving through the town not that long ago.

Compton, who is a Director of Engineering said that the unlicensed transmitter was taking out KGZO on 90.9 MHz in Shafter. The pirate was also heard doing commercials for his Nextel Store in Victorville.

Now here's the best part. When Compton called the unlicensed operator, the person responded that he had a "demonstration license" from the FCC and that it was good for one year. He told Compton that the licensed allowed him to "demonstrate" the line of transmitters he was selling along with custom built antennas for the FM band. He then asked Compton if I wanted to buy one.

The first monitoring of the pirate was in September. Compton said that he reported the situation to the FCC. He adds that he was in Victorville not long ago and the pirate was still on-the-air. (CGC Communicator)

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RADIO POLITICS: JONATHAN ADELSTEIN SWORN IN AS FCC COMMISSIONER

FCC nominee Jonathan Adelstein has been sworn in to fill the Commission's remaining open slot. Adelstein will finish out the term of former Commissioner Gloria Tristani, which ends in June.

According to the ARRL Letter, the White House nominated Adelstein last February. But the nomination of the Democrat and a prot,g, of South Dakota Senator Tom Daschle had been held hostage for most of this year because of political wrangling over several judicial nominations. (ARRL)

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CONVENTIONS AND HAMFESTS: HAM RADIO UNIVERSITY 2003

LIMARC -- The Long Island Mobile Amateur Radio Club - will hold the 2003 edition of its very popular Ham Radio University on Sunday, January 19th. Location is the East Woods School in Oyster Bay New York with the doors opening at 8 A.M. Eastern Standard Time.

Ham Radio University is a day-long session of intensive training in just about every aspect of Amateur Radio. The focus will be "hands on" with many demonstrations. And this year there will be special forums geared to the non-ham as well as the experienced ham radio operator.
There will also be a V-E testing session for those who would like to take an FCC exam and a Special Event Station set up and operational on the High Frequency bands.

Ham Radio University is a cooperative effort between over twenty clubs and organizations in the New York City- Long Island area. It is also the American Radio Relay League, New York City-Long Island Section Convention. For more information about Ham Radio University please contact George Tranos by e-mail to N2GA@arrl.org. (LIMARC)

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GATHERINGS AND MEETINGS: MORSE CAMP IN THE U-K

A Morse code training camp is planned for the weekend of the 11th and 12th of January 2003 in the United Kingdom. The venue will be The Beacons, Simons Lane, in the town of Frodsham. For further details please contact either Catherine Pearson at RSGB HQ or Kath Wilson, the RSGB Regional Manager for North West England. Pearson can be contacted on by e-mail: toar.dept@rsgb.org.uk. Wilson can be reached at dwilson@btinternet.com (GB2RS)

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HAMVENTION 2003: "THE YEAR OF THE YOUNG"

The 2003 Dayton Hamvention will have "The Year of the Young" as its overall theme. Planners say that the show's focus will be on the young ham and on bringing 12 to 18 year olds into the Amateur Radio hobby. More information will be posted on-line at www.hamvention.org as soon as final plans are made firm. (Dayton Hamvention*f*)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: MICROSOFT EASES RESTRICTIONS ON NEW XP MEDIA CENTER

Microsoft says that it will relax restrictions on how users of its new multimedia Windows XP Media Center operating system will be able to copy and distribute TV programs. As a result of the changes, users will be able to view unprotected TV programs copied onto DVD on any PC with Windows XP Media Center Edition. TV programs with built-in copyright controls will still prevent users from making copies.

Originally, Microsoft had developed the software so that users could only watch television programs stored on the hard disk or copied onto a DVD on only one machine. That being the PC used to record the original content. (Microsoft)

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OUR HERITAGE: REMEMBERING THE RADIO OPS OF WWW2

The event that lead to the United States becoming involved in World War 2 will be commemorated by Amateur Radio. This, as a group of survivors of the Japanese sneak attack on Perl Harbor visit the USS Hornet and take to the air this coming December 7th.

The SSB Frequencies will be 7.260, 14.320, 21.320 and 28.320 MHz. CW operations will be found on 3.530, 7.030, 14.030, 21.030 and 28.030 Mhz. Operating hours will be from 0900 to 1700 Pacific Standard Time. A special QSL Card will be made available for those who make contact. (KB6SSN)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: VC2C ON 60 METERS

An update on whats become an international version of the U-K five megs experiment. Word from Canadian that station VC2C was recently given special permission by the Canadian radio authorities to operate on the 60 meter band. It took to the air between the 21st and 25th of October. During that time, VC2C made two-way C-W contacts with four G stations, one GM and one GI operator. All contacts took place on 5.280 MHz. (RSGB)

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INTERNATIONAL - NEW ZEALAND: NZART CALLS FOR ELECTIONS

New Zealand's national ham radio society, the NZART has placed a call for nominations for those who want to serve on the Council and as the organizations President. NZART says that New Zealand hams have until December 31st to file their nominations. (NZART)

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ON THE AIR: WSWSS 2 METER NET GOES PSK-31

A popular weak signal net is going digital check-in. David Peters, KI6FF, says that the Western States Weak Signal Society 2 meter Southern California Technical Roundtable net held Tuesdays at 8:30 PM Pacific on 144.130 MHz is going PSK 31 only for check-ins. Once the

evenings roster is complete the net will move to SSB and help people who need to get their equipment and software setup and checked out. (VHF REflector)

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DX

In D-X, word that G0UIH will be in Australia and active as VK2IAY/P until the 15th of December. During this period, Steve will operate from several different rare IOTA island groups. Look for him on or around 14.260, 18.145 or 21.260 MHz on SSB only.

And NK3T will be active from McMurdo Station Antarctica as KC4 slash NK3T until late January or early February. QSL via his home call.

Also, special event station ER60SB will be on the air from the 23rd of January through the 2nd February 2003. This to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the Battle of Stalingrad. QSL via ER1DA either direct to Valery Metaxa, ER1DA, P.O. Box 3000, Chisinau, MD-2071, Moldova or via the bureau. (This weeks DX courtesy GB2RS)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: FIGHTING BACK WITH A PHONE

And finally, here's one from the pages of the French e-magazine La Companion that we found surfing the Internet. Its the story of fighting back with a cellular telephone. Amateur Radio Newsline's Norm Seeley, KI7UP, has the curious details:

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Maybe its all net-lore, but supposedly a female bus rider in a Paris suberb was annoyed by a loud-mouthed cellular telephone phone user a few rows in front of her. The fellow so boisterous that she could not even hear her companion seated right next to her.

Then the cellular bully supposedly made the mistake of mentioning his cellphone number during the conversation. A few minutes later, the lady picked up her own phone, called the man and asked him to: "...be quiet please".

But he refused. In fact he was so incensed by the call that he started to use all kinds of unsightly language. That is until he finally realizing where he was and that everyone on the tram was staring directly at him.

Undaunted, he supposedly stood up, uttered a few more choice words and exited at the next stop. The woman and her companion received a round of applause.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Norm Seeley, KI7UP

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And what else needs be said! (Tommorrows Technology)

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1674. Re: Last time I saw the14thdisciple ...

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-29 23:38:29 UTC
From: Bill <jwgardiner@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <VTSF9.36795$GR5.9731@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3359
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur.digital.misc,rec.radio.amateur,alt.radio.international,alt.radio.internet

What the ..... ???

<deano@cytag.nl> wrote in message
news:2e3b9027.0211280632.4753d083@posting.google.com...
> ... The last time I saw the14thdisciple he was busy stuffing 2 of
> every kind of animal he could find into his trousers, saying something
> about '40 days and 40 nights' and 'got to keep the beavers DRY!'
>
> It's possible he ran out of room in his pants or perhaps became
> swamped by the larger creatures (elephants, giraffes - you get the
> picture?)
>
> We've put out a call to the local hospitals but unless we come across
> someone with a zoo down his knickers we're unlikely to find him easily
> ....
>
> Let us know if you see him? Listen to www.cytag.nl/listen.ram with
> RealAudio for regular updates. In the meantime we'll play you
> topnotch music, bring you items from Doctor Partz, Francis Walkfoot,
> Soloman Beasts plus comedy * chat with me, DeanoDeano and - of course
> - the14thdisciple!
>
> Hugs
> Deano
>
> Glen Miller - alive and trapped beneath a GREAT BIG TUBA!
> the14thdisciple & Freands www.cytag.nl/listen.ram Tuesdays 7 - 11pm
> GMT

1675. F/S Yaesu FT 847 & MD-100AX Mic

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-30 17:17:44 UTC
From: W2RJR@netscape.net
Message-ID: <175d5299.0211300917.3b645de7@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3360
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.amateur

I have a mint Yaseu FT-847 with an MD-100AX desk mic. I have boxes , manual, pwr cord and stock mic. $1100.00 shipped 48 states or trade + cash for Kenwood TS-2000 in the same condition.

1676. FS Kenwood TM-D700A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-30 17:23:01 UTC
From: benm217@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021130122301.12835.00000207@mb-cn.aol.com>
Source record: 3361

I have a Kenwood TM-D700A for sale. Radio is like brand new and still has the plastic covering the display. Radio works perfect and comes with everything just like it left the factory. Asking $450 including shipping.

1677. FS Kenwood TM-D700A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-30 17:26:49 UTC
From: benm217@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021130122649.12835.00000208@mb-cn.aol.com>
Source record: 3362

I have a like Kenwood TM-D700A for sale. Radio is like new and still has the plastic cover on the display. Radio comes with everything just like it left the factory. I'm asking $450 including shipping.
Thanks
Ben
KB9LIQ

1678. my new website

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-11-30 19:42:47 UTC
From: NL-12908 <mr.shortwave@dynip.com>
Message-ID: <3de91675$0$11752$e4fe514c@news.xs4all.nl>
Source record: 3363

Hello,

my new website can be found at http://www.xs4all.nl/~nl3dhg
You can find all kind of SSTV pictures wich I have received at my qth The Hague, The Netherlands. Loc JO22DB

hope you enjoy.

73
Andr&#65533; NL-12908

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url: http://www.xs4all.nl/~nl3dhg
QSL possible via http://www.eqsl.cc

1679. Re: copying cw on a computer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-01 10:34:34 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0212010234.4817ba2c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3364

"rb" <rbigg@seii.net> wrote in message news:<as4d94$16v$1@news.utelfla.com>...
> Got a question for you guys who use a computer monitor to decode and display
> CW. How does the eqpt handle simultaneous signals? Do I need to null and
> notch out all but the one I want to copy? Seems anything that is confusing
> to the ear would also be confusing to the computer software.

You would have to notch one, and hope the computer could still copy the other.
The ear is actually much better than that type of deal than a computer. MK

http://web.wt.net/~nm5k/

1680. Re: RTTY Software

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-01 10:37:39 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0212010237.5666ff6c@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3365

manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot (Capn Crunch) wrote in message
news:<20021119024815.03620.00000258@mb-ma.aol.com>...
> I've got a rigblaster and I'm interested in RTTY..anyone have any favorite
> software for this and other like modes. I tried TrueTTY and liked it but would
> like to hear other options.

I use hamscope. It covers PSK31, RTTY, CW, etc, and uses the same
MMRTTY engine mentioned by the others. It's free on the net. Try a
search. Should come up...MK

http://web.wt.net/~nm5k/

1681. Astron Power Supply For Sale

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-01 22:10:38 UTC
From: Burt <k1oik@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <yNvG9.203033$nB.15177@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3366

Astron Power Supply For Sale

http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1942636432&ssPageName=ADM
E:B:LC:US:1

1682. For sale: Sencore TC 142 Mighty Mite Tube Tester

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-02 01:34:06 UTC
From: Burt <k1oik@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <iMyG9.74914$GR5.15259@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3367

For sale: Sencore TC 142 Mighty Mite Tube Tester
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=25422&item=1922547660

1683. Sale: Kenwood Dual Band 144/440 MHz Radio TM-731A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-02 01:34:31 UTC
From: Burt <k1oik@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <HMyG9.198651$P31.79481@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3368

Sale: Kenwood Dual Band 144/440 MHz Radio TM-731A
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=4674&item=1942628673

1684. Programming my MTS2000

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-03 06:40:59 UTC
From: n9mxt1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021203014059.19943.00000472@mb-dh.aol.com>
Source record: 3369

Hello,
I own a Motorola MTS2000 HT and have some programming questions... I would like it programmed and if your capable please email me back.

Thanks

Jeff

1685. Need MTS2000 Radio Case Replaced

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-03 15:20:14 UTC
From: n9mxt1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021203102014.10585.00008203@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 3370

Hello,
Anyone selling or has a newer MTS2000 radio case? I brought a used MTS2000
the other day and the radio case is sure beatup and would like to replace it.

Please let me know.. its the MTS2000 model 1.

Thanks so much... n9mxt1@aol.com

1686. Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-04 08:08:06 UTC
From: Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk>
Message-ID: <5odruu89e08hrblj67p3e3pj22ikp733gf@4ax.com>
Source record: 3371
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

Hi,

At what point in increasing power output from a PA does one need to
worry about reflected power when squirting a RF signal down a
radom-length wire? Is it possible to get away with say 6W out without
damaging the output device?

p.
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"I was going to help him up, but then I thumped him."
Michael Head's plea in mitigation to Weybridge Magistrates, Sept. 1975

1687. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-04 11:07:17 UTC
From: "Thomas C. Sefranek" <WA1RHP@ARRL.net>
Message-ID: <FIlH9.3665$hM3.429687@newsread2.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 3372
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message
news:5odruu89e08hrblj67p3e3pj22ikp733gf@4ax.com...
>
> Hi,
>
> At what point in increasing power output from a PA does one need to
> worry about reflected power when squirting a RF signal down a
> radom-length wire? Is it possible to get away with say 6W out without
> damaging the output device?

It depends on how much (over) current and voltage the "output device" can
stand.
>
> p.
> --
>
> "I was going to help him up, but then I thumped him."
> Michael Head's plea in mitigation to Weybridge Magistrates, Sept. 1975
>

1688. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-04 20:37:15 UTC
From: k7itm@aol.com
Message-ID: <3200347.0212041237.5444d39e@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3373
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message
news:<5odruu89e08hrblj67p3e3pj22ikp733gf@4ax.com>...
> Hi,
>
> At what point in increasing power output from a PA does one need to
> worry about reflected power when squirting a RF signal down a
> radom-length wire? Is it possible to get away with say 6W out without
> damaging the output device?

"Reflected power" may be a poor way for you to think about this problem. Instead, try this: whatever load you have on the output terminals reflects back some load at the output active device (be it a valve, FET, bipolar transistor, or whatever). That particular load and whatever signal you're amplifying and the bias on the amplifier will result in some particular power dissipation in the active device (and in other circuit elements, too), and some particular power delivered to the load. If you dissipate too much power in the active device (or in some other component), it will fail prematurely. The conditions will also result in a particular set of voltages and currents, and if any of those is too great, it will cause trouble. In a high-Q circuit, you can have some pretty big voltages and currents with a pretty low power dissipation!

Normally, if the amplifier stage is designed for a particular load impedance and your load is very much different from that, you'll be well served to put a matching circuit (an antenna tuner!) between the amplifier output and the load. How much different? It's probably not a big deal for a 1.5:1 SWR (relative to the design impedance), and if the PA is equipped with a tuneable tank, it may accomodate a fairly large range of load impedances just fine.

As for a particular power level, how can we say? I can tell you for sure that if the load is purely reactive, trying to deliver 6W of actual power to it will be an exercise in futility. But a 1kW output PA could probably deliver 6W to a horribly mismatched load without problem, and a 1W PA would probably die quickly trying to deliver 6W to even the best of loads. So "6W to the load" really isn't enough info.

Cheers,
Tom

1689. Sale: Kenwood Dual Band 144/440 MHz Radio TM-731A

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-05 00:40:24 UTC
From: Burt <k1oik@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <YfxH9.236870$%m4.83742@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3374

Sale: Kenwood Dual Band 144/440 MHz Radio TM-731A
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=4674&item=1942628673

1690. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-05 10:49:29 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-0512020551000001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3375
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

In article <3200347.0212041237.5444d39e@posting.google.com>, k7itm@aol.com (Tom Bruhns) wrote:

> Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message news:<5odruu89e08hrblj67p3e3pj22ikp733gf@4ax.com>...
> > Hi,
> >
> > At what point in increasing power output from a PA does one need to
> > worry about reflected power when squirting a RF signal down a
> > radom-length wire? Is it possible to get away with say 6W out without
> > damaging the output device?

The two Toms are right:

This is a kind of tricky question to answer. You can blow up your final and possibly other stuff by overvoltage or overcurrent due to mismatch, but if all you're worried about is reflected power then it is simply power dissipated is DC power in - FORWARD power out. If you exceed your Pd max for the final, bye bye final. One way of monitoring all of this is by looking at your final stage current. It should stay in a safe operating range. Too high and you can damage the final by current and too low, you can damage the final due to high voltage. Maximum current by mismatch is very high and almost unlimited, maximum voltage by mismatch can have a two times supply level going into the final. Look at the specs for the final and figure this all out as far as a safe operating range. A simple thing to remember is that reflected power goes into a fairly low VSWR load when it sees your antenna port. It goes in and turns to heat. Heat is good in engines, but not very desirable in amplifiers. :-)

Happy Trails,

Steve WB4CZR

1691. Macintosh Software for ICOM R75 Available

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-05 18:27:01 UTC
From: pjh@lowell.edu
Message-ID: <2c1d9aeb.0212051027.395a232a@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3376

FYI

Macintosh Software for ICOM R75 Available at:

http://www.experbyte.com/macr75

Demos can be downloaded to test before purchasing.

Version are available for Classic Macs and OS X.

Requires an ICOM CI-V interface and a serial port
so USB Macs will also need a USB-to-Serial adapter.

Regards,

PH

1692. computer cw display

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-05 21:03:42 UTC
From: rb <rbigg@seii.net>
Message-ID: <asoep5ejs1@news.utelfla.com>
Source record: 3377

Well, I'm getting old and decrepit, and I have trouble copying code (been at it over 50 yrs, now). So, I'm going to setup a dedicated computer to display received CW. I know there are some freeware type programs for this. Need to hear the names (and web sites where I can download) of several good ones, please.

1693. Re: computer cw display

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-05 22:01:53 UTC
From: "Larry D. Clark" <buddycl@swbell.net>
Message-ID: <I1QH9.222$Xa2.180667549@newssvr11.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3378

cwtype & cwget

try:
http://www.dxsoft.com/

kd5foy
"rb" <rbigg@seii.net> wrote in message news:asoep5ejs1@news.utelfla.com...
> Well, I'm getting old and decrepit, and I have trouble copying code (been
at
> it over 50 yrs, now). So, I'm going to setup a dedicated computer to
> display received CW. I know there are some freeware type programs for
this.
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good
> ones, please.
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>

1694. HELP Program My Motorola GTX 800

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-05 22:56:21 UTC
From: n9mxt1@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021205175621.01394.00008935@mb-mu.aol.com>
Source record: 3379

Hello,
I just won a Motorola GTX 800 MHz HT and want to get the radio programmed with trucking freqs. Can anyone HELP me get this programmed? and or can tell me what they think of the unit. Just going to use it for receiving trunking while at work.

Please let me know.... email me at: n9mxt1@aol.com

Thanks

Jeffrey

1695. FS: UHF Motorola Spectra 100 Watts A9 Head

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-06 02:36:52 UTC
From: mikemost@aol.comnospam
Message-ID: <20021205213652.09042.00000336@mb-fo.aol.com>
Source record: 3380

I have for up for sale a Motorola Spectra, UHF 450-482MHz (goes down to 440) It is the remote unit, 100 watts, but it is tuned down to 50 watts output power. MDC/DTMF signalling. Call Alert/Sel-Call. DTMF Calls. 11 Character Alpha display. Comes with the advanced A9 head with full DTMF pad, includes bracket & screws. Complete package, includes heavy-duty hand mic in very good condition. A speaker in excellent condition with bracket & screws. All cables needed, control, power, ignition sense. Guaranteed not to be DOA. See my feedback rating on eBay (kc2gfg) Asking $500, I will include free shipping (about an $18 value) - USPS Priority Mail Insured w/delievery Confirmation. E-mail mikemost@aol.com

Thanks,
Mike

1696. Get an internet domain name with your callsign!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-06 03:44:43 UTC
From: Midwest Internet Services <info@midwestiserv.net>
Message-ID: <L2VH9.21065$6Y4.1426@news1.central.cox.net>
Source record: 3381
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.swap

Want your own internet domain with your callsign in it? You can register yourcallsign.com online today for under $10 per year at www.midwestiserv.net.

For more info and pricing on other available domain types (.net, .us, .info, .ws, .biz, .org) please visit www.midwestiserv.net or email info@midwestiserv.net.

Midwest Internet Services

1697. DJ-V5 (ALINC0)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-06 06:13:36 UTC
From: rng-1187@webtv.net
Message-ID: <22946-3DF04010-137@storefull-2296.public.lawson.webtv.net>
Source record: 3382

can the ALINCO DJ-5 be set up to receive 144|440 bands simultaneously?

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly
endless."
___ Mother Teresa

1698. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-06 08:40:18 UTC
From: Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk>
Message-ID: <0em0vucvq8t9pvih8q7j5279348hnmsv4c@4ax.com>
Source record: 3383
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

On Thu, 05 Dec 2002 10:49:29 GMT, motsteve@attbi.com (carltons) opined
thusly:

>This is a kind of tricky question to answer. You can blow up your final
>and possibly other stuff by overvoltage or overcurrent due to mismatch,
>but if all you're worried about is reflected power then it is simply power
>dissipated is DC power in - FORWARD power out. If you exceed your Pd max
>for the final, bye bye final. One way of monitoring all of this is by
>looking at your final stage current. It should stay in a safe operating
>range. Too high and you can damage the final by current and too low, you
>can damage the final due to high voltage. Maximum current by mismatch is
>very high and almost unlimited, maximum voltage by mismatch can have a two
>times supply level going into the final. Look at the specs for the final
>and figure this all out as far as a safe operating range. A simple thing
>to remember is that reflected power goes into a fairly low VSWR load when
>it sees your antenna port. It goes in and turns to heat. Heat is good in
>engines, but not very desirable in amplifiers. :-)

So basically what you're all saying is that it's 'getawaywithable'
provided one choices a final transistor that's sufficiently overrated
for the purpose? Okay, so say 5W into a random length of wire with a
Vcc of 12V at a signal frequency of 40MHz. Can anyone suggest a
suitably overrated device? (within reasonable limits, of course)
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"I was going to help him up, but then I thumped him."
Michael Head's plea in mitigation to Weybridge Magistrates, Sept. 1975

1699. parallel relays?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-06 16:17:55 UTC
From: rb <rbigg@seii.net>
Message-ID: <asqidu$ko9$1@news.utelfla.com>
Source record: 3384

Got five or so realys I'd like to use in a project, and hope I can innovate to avoid having to go out and buy one.

I need capacity of 10 amps through the contacts. My relays each have 5 amp contact ratings. Can I parallel two of them and get close to having the required 10 amps I'll need (actually, I think 8 amps capacity would do the job)?

1700. Re: parallel relays?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-06 21:41:04 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <QP8I9.264068$WL3.89087@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 3385

Should be able to, but I wouldn't. If one fails, it would destroy the other. Would only do in a pinch and would fuse each at 5A, so that if I lost one, it would not destroy the other or cause a fire.

Bill
KC4KMG

"rb" <rbigg@seii.net> wrote in message news:asqidu$ko9$1@news.utelfla.com...
> Got five or so realys I'd like to use in a project, and hope I can innovate
> to avoid having to go out and buy one.
>
> I need capacity of 10 amps through the contacts. My relays each have 5 amp
> contact ratings. Can I parallel two of them and get close to having the
> required 10 amps I'll need (actually, I think 8 amps capacity would do the
> job)?
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>

1701. Re: parallel relays?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-06 22:02:19 UTC
From: restamp@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <L79I9.67$Eu4.105921@twister.columbus.rr.com>
Source record: 3386

In article <QP8I9.264068$WL3.89087@rwcrnsc54>,
radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com> wrote:
>"rb" <rbigg@seii.net> wrote in message news:asqidu$ko9$1@news.utelfla.com...
>> Got five or so realys I'd like to use in a project, and hope I can
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>> to avoid having to go out and buy one.
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>> contact ratings. Can I parallel two of them and get close to having the
>> required 10 amps I'll need (actually, I think 8 amps capacity would do the
>> job)?
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>Should be able to, but I wouldn't. If one fails, it would destroy the
>other. Would only do in a pinch and would fuse each at 5A, so that if I
>lost one, it would not destroy the other or cause a fire.

Another thing to consider is what happens during the making and breaking
of the contacts. One relay will open/close before the other, if only
slightly, and the first one will have to absorb the entire inrush or
break current.

Furthermore, the relays may differ slightly in resistance and at
low resistances, this can significantly affect current flow. For
instance, if one relay has .01 ohms of contact resistance, and
the other has .02 ohms, it may not matter to the load, but the
first will carry 2/3 of the delivered current.

Rob

1702. AM Radio Card

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-07 08:09:56 UTC
From: Stuart Palmer <stupalm.extrabit@melbpc.org.au>
Message-ID: <i0b3vucfefoa9g5m6pcgpo6548t3bjtus6@4ax.com>
Source record: 3387

Hi Guys
This is a little off topic but I think you are the right people to contact. I am looking for an AM tuner card for my computer does such a
beast exist? I plan to record programs for later use.
TIA
Stu
Take out what is not required to reply.

1703. Re: AM Radio Card

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-07 12:52:58 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <KamI9.272611$%m4.92508@rwcrnsc52.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3388

Stuart.....Are you looking for a "virtual receiver"? Icom. Ten Tec and others have these.

"Stuart Palmer" <stupalm.extrabit@melbpc.org.au> wrote in message news:i0b3vucfefoa9g5m6pcgpo6548t3bjtus6@4ax.com...
> Hi Guys
> This is a little off topic but I think you are the right people to contact. I am looking for an AM tuner card for my computer does such a
> beast exist? I plan to record programs for later use.
> TIA
> Stu
> Take out what is not required to reply.

1704. Re: AM Radio Card

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-07 16:04:10 UTC
From: Jim King <nowayjose@nospam.org>
Message-ID: <Xns92DD52743159Cnowayjosenospamorg@66.75.162.196>
Source record: 3389

I'm wondering how an AM tuner could be worthwhile inside a computer.
Anytime I try to use an AM radio near my PC, the interference is awful.

J K

Stuart Palmer <stupalm.extrabit@melbpc.org.au> wrote in
news:i0b3vucfefoa9g5m6pcgpo6548t3bjtus6@4ax.com:

> Hi Guys
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> contact. I am looking for an AM tuner card for my computer does such a
> beast exist? I plan to record programs for later use.

1705. Dust Covers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-07 19:07:11 UTC
From: "L. E. Dietrich" <ldietric@optonline.net>
Message-ID: <zFrI9.7119$CU3.7051@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net>
Source record: 3390
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

All,

Looking to pick up some dust covers for my rigs...any manufacturers come to mind?

Lou n2tu@optonline.net

1706. Re: Dust Covers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-07 21:15:42 UTC
From: Glenn Miller <aa5pk@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <2ytI9.48046$hK4.4218656@bgtnsc05-news.ops.worldnet.att.net>
Source record: 3391
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.equipment,rec.radio.amateur.swap,rec.radio.swap

"L. E. Dietrich" <ldietric@optonline.net> wrote in message
news:zFrI9.7119$CU3.7051@news4.srv.hcvlny.cv.net...
> Looking to pick up some dust covers for my rigs...any manufacturers come
to
> mind?

http://www.surplussales.com/DustCovers.html

Glenn AA5PK

1707. 2 metre module

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-07 22:08:30 UTC
From: Graham Lodge <grahamlodge@xtra.co.nz>
Message-ID: <qjuI9.41110$_h6.561047@news.xtra.co.nz>
Source record: 3392

Has anyone got a 2 metre module for the Yaesu 767GX TX for sale

Graham Lodge
grahamlodge@xtra.co.nz

1708. Corvette Antenna

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 03:58:20 UTC
From: Stan <svs6920@home.com>
Message-ID: <wrzl9.71991$pN3.5105@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3393

Any ideas? Looking for a C5 (1997 to 2003 yr) Corvette antenna mount to a handle the 3/8 X 24 thread type antenna,

Thank you
Stan

1709. ARNewsline 1321 - dec 6 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 04:03:00 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021207230300.05802.00011465@mb-ms.aol.com>
Source record: 3394

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1321 – December 6, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1321 with a release date of Friday, December 6, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. North Korea takes its only ham off the air and the first digital voice Q-S-O across the Atlantic. These stories are first on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1321 coming your way right now.

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INTERNATIONAL – N. KOREA: LAST HAM FORCED OFF THE AIR

The Peoples Republic of Korea appears to no longer want Amateur Radio operating from its soil. It made its intention clear when it asked its only ham ito pack his gear and send it out of the country. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, in Nottingham England has the details:

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Ed, P5/4L4FN, the only radio amateur operating legally from North Korea, has had to close down. On the evening of the 22nd of November, Ed was called into a meeting with the North Korean Radio Regulation Board. Without any explanation he was politely asked to stop all transmissions and to pack up all his radio equipment.

Ed spent the following day dissembling his antennas and packing boxes. That afternoon government officials sealed all the boxes and Ed has been told to take everything out of the country when he leaves North Korea for a two-week holiday on the 10th of December.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH
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With Ed now off the air, ham radio is gone from North Korea and nobody expects it to be resumed anytime in the near future. It also puts North Korea back near the top of D-X'ings most wanted list.
More on this story is at www.amsatnet.com/p5.html. (RSGB)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: DIGITAL HAM AUDIO SPANS THE ATLANTIC

Two ham radio communications pioneers have achieved a major breakthrough. The first two-way digital voice transmission across the Atlantic via Amateur Radio. Norm Seeley, KI7UP tells us who did it and how it was accomplished.

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Doug Smith, KF6DX, and Didier Chulot, F5MJN, have successfully transmitted and received HF digital speech signals between Sevierville, Tennessee and Paris, France. It happened on Friday, November 22 nd.

The first historic contact took place on 21.218 MHz in the 15 meter band. Chulot spoke with Smith for several minutes using a high-frequency digital link within a 3-kHz bandwidth. Signal strengths were S-5 to S-7 and readability was solid in both directions.

The feat was accomplished using Ten-Tec transceivers and digital audio systems from Thales Communications.

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DEMO AUDIO HERE
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The Q-S-O demonstrated the advantages of digital audio for two way radio. This includes noise-free, FM-like reception and the potential for simultaneous voice and data exchange.

With an eye toward the digital future of Amateur Radio, I'm Norm Seeley, KI7UP.
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The Ten-Tec/Thales system used in this experiment is based on a new international broadcasting standard for digital radio adopted last year by the International Telecommunications Union. The FCC has approved a similar standard for broadcasting in the United States. An Amateur Radio version is expected to appear on the market sometime in 2003. (KF6DX, Ten-Tec)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: PPW PROPOSES ELECTRONIC INFRASTRUCTURE TO WARN PUBLIC OF DANGER

A group of U.S. communications security experts has recommended that Americans be alerted to impending danger over their wireless devices. Amateur Radio Newsline's Fred Vobbe, W-8-H-D-U, takes a look at this new concept in emergency notification:

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The Partnership for Public Warning says that a national wireless system could send alerts to citizens via their pagers, mobile phones or computer screens.

The Partnership for Public Warning is a newly formed thirty-member advisory body that includes representatives of government agencies, relief agencies and even a ham radio operator. And on Monday, November 25th it released a report that says conventional media broadcasts may spread alerts too slowly in instances of pending natural disaster or terrorist threat.

P-P-W says that the newly formed Department for Homeland Security should take responsibility for leading development of a national all-hazard public warning architecture. This, in partnership with other federal agencies, state and local governments, industry, universities and other stakeholders. The technology itself would be produced by private industry with the alert system

operated by governments and selected other organizations following a strict set of alert protocols.

P-P-W says that improved warning systems and procedures will reduce losses from natural and man-made disasters, and will speed recovery. Most important is that it will save lives.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU

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President Bush cited quick responses to attacks as a priority of the new Department of Homeland Security which will consolidate parts of 22 departments to better prevent attacks in the wake of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks in which some 3,000 people died.

information about the Partnership For Public Warning is on the web at http://www.partnershipforpublicwarning.org/ppw (Published reports)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the KB6JAG repeater serving Hemet California.

(5 sec pause here)

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HAM RADIO GROWTH: GOOD NUMBERS TO US

The folks on that "other band" might call this “almost good numbers.” This with word that the number of radio amateurs licensed by the Federal Communications Commission is at a five-year high. But there are some caveats. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has more:

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According to the CQ Magazine website, FCC numbersshow a total United States ham population of 684,498 as of October 31st. And breakdowns provided by Joe Speroni, A-H-Zero-A, say that the primary growth has come among Amateur Extra Classand General Class licensees. Extra is now breaking the 100,000 point for the first time.

Technician Class figures have essentially held steady. Also we had 20,000 new hams entering the hobby in the year ending October 31st.

License renewal statistics were also encouraging with the renewal rate climbing from an abysmal 45% two years ago to a better, but still unacceptable, rate of 55% in the past year.

Better numbers, but not the best.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, in Los Angeles.
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More on licensing figures are on the web at www.speroni.com/fcc (CQ)

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HAM RADIO IN THE PUBLIC EYE: THE ATLANTC MONTHLY

The November 26th edition of Atlantic Monthly Magazine On-Line has some good words about ham radio and its role in homeland security. In an article titled America's Secret Weapon in the War on Terror, one of the groups singled out for attention is the nations corps of Amateur Radio operators. Its described in the article as an ever-ready line of emergency communications.

The story goes on to say that America boasts 650,000 licensed ham-radio operators. It quotes he ARRL's Mary Hobart as saying that about 1,500 of them are fully certified in emergency communications and are prepared to rush to the scene of a forest fire, flood, or hurricane with a jump bag full of portable radio equipment. And says Hobart, That can be crucial.

Atlantic Monthly notes that when phone lines, radio towers, and even satellites go down, ham operators -- broadcasting each to each other , and operating on batteries or generator -- stay on the air. And says Atlantic Monthly, after the terrorist attacks of 911 when New York's cell phones turned into paperweights hundreds of hams, some from as far away as Texas and California, turned out to provide radio lifelines for emergency workers and relief agencies.

The article is must reading for everyone involved in Amateur Radio public relations. It can be found at the U-R-L listed in this weeks Amateur Radio Newsline print edition.

The complete article is at
http://www.theatlantic.com/politics/nj/rauch2002-11-26.htm (KS2G)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC INVESTIGATING INTERFERENCE TO EMERGENCY TRAFFIC IN LOS ANGELES

The FCC is looking into allegations that two Los angeles area hams interfered with a distress call on an area repeater. The FCC's Daryl Duckworth, NN0W explains:

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"The Enforcement Bureau has opened a case involving allegations of deliberate interference to emergency communications on the N6SAP repeater in the Los Angeles area. Anton W. Johnson, N6OAY, and Ledge Musselman, KC6NCN, are being asked to explain the allegations of the operations on October 2.

Information is also being sought from the repeater licensee. Scott Press.

This mater is being taken very seriously by the Enforcement Bureau since emergency communications is one of the foundations of Amateur Radio."
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The FCC claims that Johnson and Musselman interfered with attempts to relay emergency traffic on the 147.435 repeater at about 9:45 a.m. on October 2nd.

Press is being asked to explain what action he is taking in this matter. He is also been directed to summarize any conversations he may have had with the licensees against whom the allegations have been made. The FCC says that Press must also provide any written correspondence he may have sent to Johnson and Musselman. All three were given twenty days from he date of the FCC letters to respond.

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ENFORCEMENT: THE STORY OF THE EX-AA8DP

A follow-up now to last weeks report of the capture of Steve Anderson, the ex AA8DP. Anderson was wanted in connrection with an alleged attack on a police officer. He was arrested in the hills of North Carolina following a manhunt that has lasted over a year. Amateur Radio Newsline's Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ, has the story of how Anderson was caught:

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A tip to the Fox Television program "America's Most Wanted" and forwarded to federal investigators has led to the arrest of Kentucky fugitive Steve Anderson, the ex-AA8DP. Anderson, an alleged white supremacist who resigned his Amateur Radio license almost two years ago and then operated an unlicensed radio station from his home, had been at large since October 14th of 2001.

According to the Louisville Courier-Journal, Anderson was arrested in the mountains of southwestern North Carolina by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation. The A-T-F's Don York told the newspaper that America's Most Wanted received a tip about Anderson's whereabouts after airing its second segment on him about a month ago. The tip was forwarded to the A-T-F, which worked the case with North Carolina authorities.

Anderson is accused of shooting an automatic weapon at Deputy Scott Elder. This, after Elder had pulled Anderson's truck over north of Middlesboro Kentucky for a traffic violation. Elder was unharmed after Anderson allegedly opened fire, but his police cruiser was struck about two dozen times. Police said Anderson then drove into the mountains, and a search of his property turned up explosives and guns.

Anderson had attracted attention of authorities several years ago by playing host to a small Ku Klux Klan rally during which a cross was burned. He also allegedly operated a shortwave radio station out of his home, where his commentary against minorities, immigrants and the government drew the attention of the Federal Communications Commission. The Anti-Defamation League complained to the FCC about Anderson's broadcasts which were taking place in the Amateur bands. Rather than explain his actions, Anderson sent in his AA8DP license for cancellation. It was accompanied by a rather convoluted message that said he did not recognize the licensing authority of the FCC which he called an agent of a foreign power.

Anderson continued to broadcast but bowing to extensive pressure from the nations ham radio community, he took the transmissions out of the Amateur

service bands. They stopped after he disappeared following the alleged attack on Officer Elder.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, In Henry Feinberg, K2SSQ.
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As previously reported, the ex-AA8DP had been a member of the Kentucky State Militia until April 2001. That group dismissed Anderson because he refused to shut down his unlicensed radio operation. (ARNewsline(tm) from published reports)

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THE INTERNET VS. HAM RADIO: HOTMAIL AND JUNO BLOCK ARRL E-MAIL FORWARDING

If you get your e-mail using the American Radio Relay League's @arrl.net vanity address, and use Juno or Hotmail as your account you know that you were cut off for a few days. It wasn't the ARRL's doing. Blame it on the twi internet service providers.

According to an ARRL bulletin the two companies notified the League on November 25th that they had stopped accepting e-mail messages forwarded to users of their services from the arrl.net e-mail server. According to representatives of the two companies, this was part of heir solution to the Internet-wide problem of spam.

The ARRL, through the vendor for the arrl.net server began working with both companies to resolve this matter. The ARRL and Hotmail reached a accord the fllowing day and service was restored. Juno was back late on Monday December 2nd. During the peak of the service outage, forwarded e-mail to nearly 6,000 ARRL members was curtailed. (ARRL)

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RADIO LAW: NEW CODES DEVELOPED TO HELP STUDY RADIO RELATED HIGHWAY ACCIDENTS

State highway departments will soon get help tracking how many traffic accidents are caused by drivers chatting on their handheld cell phones or C-B sets, using their pagers or checking their personal digital assistants. In January, every state will receive a booklet of revised codes that describes causes of vehicle crashes, including distractions from electronic communication devices. The codes were developed by traffic safety and crash data experts, including the Governors Highway Safety Association and the Federal Highway Administration.

A spokesperson for the Governors Highway Safety Association, says that the updated crash codes will allow the organization to develop data that demonstrates whether electronic distractions in cars are a serious safety problem. A March report by the National Conference of State Legislatures suggests device-related distractions killed an estimated 600 to 1,000 motorists in 2001 and could kill 2,000 a year by 2004. (Published news reports)

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RADIO EDUCATION: HAM RADIO COURSE OFFERED AT PENN STATE

Amateur Radio is a part of the training being offered this fall to freshmen at the Pennsylvania State University. According to Brad Parola, KB3HQE, Vice President of the Penn State Amateur Radio Club, part of the course during the first half of the Fall semester included exposure to Amateur Radio. Students were shown how to tune radios like the Ten Tec Pegasus, shown how to receive PSK 31 signals, and were given a tour of the world famous Rock Springs Antenna Test Range run by Dr. Jim Breakall WA3FET. Early in October, those students who were interested were given the opportunity to take their Technician class tests. So far 15 students have passed an Amateur service exam. (KB3HQE)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RESCUE UPDATE: ZL1AMO CONDITION REPORTED UNCHANGED

We have an update in the medical condition of famed D-X'er Ron Wright , ZL1AMO. Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, has the latest:

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A bit of good news this week. Wrights daughter Terri says the family visited Ron in the hospital and he was sitting up in a lazy boy chair. This is the first time any of the family had seen seen him out of the bed since he was hospitalized. Terri Wring says that Ron is also trying to communicate with those around him and he looks a lot better than on previous visits.

As reported last week, Wright suffered collapsed lungs while visiting Fiji. He was air lifted by an emergency air ambulance to Auckland New Zealand where he was initially reported to be in critical condition and on life support.

The INDEXA – the International D-X Association -- has established a fund to assist Wright and his family with the cost of air evacuating him from Fiji to Auckland. Donations go to the ZL1AMO Air Ambulance Fund, in care of Bill Jennings, W4UNP, P. O. Box 607, Rock Hill, South Carolina, 29731. Sorry, but INDEXA says that contributions to this fund are not tax deductible.

From Auckland New Zealand – down under – I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, reporting for the Amateur Radio Newsline
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Updates on the fund and Wrights condition are being posted to the web at www.papays.com/opdx.html (ARNewsline(tm), INDEXA, AA7UC)

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THE SCIENCE PAGE: WHALES YES – NAVY NO

A federal judge has tentatively blocked the Navy from deploying a new early warning system because it might harm whales. Amateur Radio Newsline's Brucce Tennant, K6PZW, has the rest of the story:

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A Federal court has said no to a new high-frequency SONAR system designed to detect enemy submarines at long range because it could further endanger the worlds whale population. But in making his ruing, the judge also said the Navy may use the sonar during wartime and must be allowed to train with it beforehand.

In partially siding with environmentalists, the judge ordered both sides back to court to begin formulating a plan balancing environmental and military concerns. Environmental organizations say the Navy's powerful sonar system can strand, maim or kill marine mammals. The Navy disagreed.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.
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A few days earlier, a different judge ordered the National Science Foundation to stop firing high-intensity sonic blasts into the Gulf of California because they harm whales. So far there has been no comment from either the Navy or the N-S-F. (Published reports)

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: UO-22 IS BACK WITH US – FOR NOW

G7UPN reports that U-O-SAT 22 is back on line and open for business. At least for the time being.

Chris tells the AMSAT News Service that new software has been loaded to try and keep the downlink operating most of the time. But says G7UPN, UO-22 is an older veteran satellite. This means it may give problems in the near future. More information is in cyberspace at www.amsat.org (ANS)

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INTERNATIONAL – JAPAN: JA SAYS NO TO PLT

Japan has said no to the introduction of Power Line Transmissions or P-L-T in that nation. Following extensive trials, the Ministry of Public Management, Home Affairs, Posts and Telecommunications has decided not to permit their roll-out for fear of interference to other services.

The Japan Amateur Radio League had been actively working with the government, radio astronomers, broadcasters and others to assess the impact of P-L-T systems on the radio spectrum. The results of this P-L-T study in Japan is a real eye-opener. It showed conclusively that Power Line Transmission system emissions are harmful to High Frequency communications operating in the range 2 to 30 MHz. Because of this Japan's telecommunications regulators have refused all requests from P-L-T manufacturers to operate these systems. (JARL, Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL: GETTING ON THE AIR DOWN UNDER

Still in that region of the world, were you aware that New Zealand is one of very few countries in the world where licensed amateurs visiting from overseas can immediately operate?

Well it is and a visiting amateur can get off an airplane, walk into the terminal building and start operating on 144 MHz and above by simply signing his own call sign portable Zed-L. This, without the hassle of getting a license and without paying a licence fee.

For more information on operating in New Zealand as a tourist or visitor take your web browser over to www.nzart.org.nz (NZART)

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ON THE AIR: COMMEMORATING DIANA

Back here in the U-S-A, the first successful moon bounce experiment was conducted by the Army Signal Corps on January 10th 1946. And to commemorate the event, the Ocean Monmouth Amateur Radio Club will operate from the historic Diana radio site on January 10th 2002. The Ocean Monmouth group plans to operate using Morse and SSB in the General and Novice Technician sub bands of the 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 meter bands. For more information on the Diana Project and for QSL info please visit the OMARC web site at www.qsl.net/n2mo (OMARC)

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In D-X, F6COW is reporteed tobe operating from the 9S1X club station in the Congo. He will reportedly be there until the 9th
of December. (GB2RS)

Also, F6BLQ will participate in the ARRL 10 Meter Contest on the 14th and 15th of December, also as 9S1X. His operation will be on SSB only. (GB2RS)

And ST1MN is a new ham in the Sudan. He will be active on all bands until the end of June 2003. Q-S-L as directed on the air. (GB2RS)

A lot higher in frequency, FT1ZK, is active on 6 meters every afternoon from Amsterdam Island. The operator is named Caroline and she has a beacon transmitter active on 50.086 MHz and running 24 hours a day. She will be on Amsterdam Island until January 16th. QSL via F5JCB. (VHF Reflector)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE CANALS OF VENUS - DEBUNKED

And finally this week lets turn our eyes toward the planet Venus. Just our eyes. Not our telescopes. Because if we do use a telescope we might make the very same mistake made by a very famous astronomer regarding canals on that mist shrouded planet. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, takes us into the cosmos for this one:

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Turn of the century astronomer Percival Lowell is well known for promoting the incorrect notion that water canals had been built on the surface of Mars. He

also drew a map of the "canals" on Venus; the only problem was that no one else could see anything resembling canals because Venus is always shrouded in clouds.

Turns out that Lowell had narrowed the aperture of his 24" telescope down to about 3" to attenuate the bright light from Venus. That little known fact - recently publicized - caught the attention of optical experts who realized that Lowell had unwittingly turned his telescope into a reverse ophthalmoscope, an instrument used to examine the interior of the eye. Instead of mapping the surface of Venus, Lowell was apparently mapping the shadows of blood vessels and other structures on his own retina!

Sky & Telescope magazine explains the situation in detail, presents Lowell's sketch of the Venusian "canals," and a photograph of retinal blood vessels. The two patterns are strikingly alike.

From Q-News Australia, I'm Graham Kemp, VK4BB, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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You can see the pictures Graham reefers to in the online edition of Sky and Telescope magazine. Just take your web browser over to http//skyandtelescope.com/news/current/article_648_1.asp (Q-News)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Don Wilbanks, KC5MFA, in New Orleans saying 73 and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1710. kayaking QRP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 04:19:58 UTC
From: David Walker <dwalker@newwave.net>
Message-ID: <3DF2C86E.6A73298E@newwave.net>
Source record: 3395

Just wondering if anyone has any personal experience with operating QRP portable while on kayaking trips or any links to the experiences of others in volved in the same. Which they would be willing to share.

Such as reported in the story in the link below.

http://www.knightlites.org/Knightlite/bear_island_2001.htm

I am a sometimes kayaker who has recently become interested in playing around with ham radio again, and this type of ARS , Adventure Radio Society , type of outing has some appeal to me as something worth trying.

73

David

WO8W

1711. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 04:47:31 UTC
From: Phil Seakins <pseakins@akamail.com>
Message-ID: <o7j5vus6blmd6a9rbh42euujlju8gn18t2@4ax.com>
Source record: 3396
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

On Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:40:18 +0000, Paul Burridge
<pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote:

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>thusly:
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>>This is a kind of tricky question to answer. You can blow up your final
>>and possibly other stuff by overvoltage or overcurrent due to mismatch,
>>but if all you're worried about is reflected power then it is simply power
>>dissipated is DC power in - FORWARD power out. If you exceed your Pd max
>>for the final, bye bye final. One way of monitoring all of this is by
>>looking at your final stage current. It should stay in a safe operating
>>range. Too high and you can damage the final by current and too low, you
>>can damage the final due to high voltage. Maximum current by mismatch is
>>very high and almost unlimited, maximum voltage by mismatch can have a two
>>times supply level going into the final. Look at the specs for the final
>>and figure this all out as far as a safe operating range. A simple thing
>>to remember is that reflected power goes into a fairly low VSWR load when
>>it sees your antenna port. It goes in and turns to heat. Heat is good in
>>engines, but not very desirable in amplifiers. :-)
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>So basically what you're all saying is that it's 'getawaywithable'
>provided one choices a final transistor that's sufficiently overrated
>for the purpose? Okay, so say 5W into a random length of wire with a
>Vcc of 12V at a signal frequency of 40MHz. Can anyone suggest a
>suitably overrated device? (within reasonable limits, of course)

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with RF signals" in a PA system. Further, the topic mentions "untuned
loads".

Clearly, "PA" stands for Public Address. PA systems are only used for
audio. I am puzzled why you and several of the respondents are
overlooking this fact. Their is no way you could get any "normal" PA
system to reproduce frequencies of 40MHz.

"Tuned loads" and "reflected power" have no relevance in audio
distribution. These are RF issues.

1712. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 05:03:24 UTC
From: "Michael A. Terrell" <terrell@mfi.net>
Message-ID: <3DF2D29C.3C40EAB5@mfi.net>
Source record: 3397
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

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PA is used for POWER AMPLIFIER as well.
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Michael A. Terrell
Central Florida

1713. Re: kayaking QRP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 06:24:28 UTC
From: manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot
Message-ID: <20021208012428.28636.00000218@mb-bj.aol.com>
Source record: 3398

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>WO8W

I wrote several articles on operating QRP over the years... I haven't written much in about 2 years though. One article was in World Radio... QRP on ICE from ice shanties...."USECA's Ice Cubes". Another was in both World Radio and the FISTS newsletter (as well as our own USECA Express... available on line)... it dwelt on a QRP (most 40m) 4 day trip to S Manitou Island in Lake Michigan. Sorry... no links that work that I could find.

1714. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 10:28:22 UTC
From: k7itm@aol.com
Message-ID: <3200347.0212080228.5bb39a09@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3399
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

Phil Seakins <pseakins@akamail.com> wrote in message
news:<o7j5vus6blmd6a9rbh42euujlju8gn18t2@4ax.com>...
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Clearly from the context, PA means "Power Amplifier" in this case.
I'm familiar with the term dating back to the 30's or perhaps before,
when many transmitters were of the "MO-PA" type: two stages, master
oscillator and power amplifier.

As for Paul's question about a recommended transistor: you didn't say
as I recall whether it's to be a linear amplifier or a class-C stage,
and if it's class-C whether it's to be amplitude modulated or not.
Those are important considerations. Some RF transistors are
specifically rated with respect to the output mismatch they can safely
handle, but if you arrange things properly, you'll be able to tune the
antenna to provide the appropriate load to the amplifier stage, and
not have to worry overly much about mismatch, unless you disconnect
the antenna. It's common in RF power amplifiers, especially solid
state ones, to sense whether the load is correct or not, and power
things down if it's not. In the case of a fixed-tuned system designed
to operate into a 50-ohm load, the protection might well be a built-in
50-ohm reflected power meter feeding an "AGC" or a shutdown signal
back to the amp.

Cheers,
Tom

1715. Brute Force AC Line Filter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 15:39:39 UTC
From: w9cw@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021208103939.26457.00008699@mb-ft.aol.com>
Source record: 3300

I am having some AC line RFI/EMI here in my shack. Normal AC line decoupling procedures have not eliminated the problem. Does anyone have any info on "brute force" L/C AC line filters? Any info would be appreciated.

Tnx es Vy 73,
Don W9CW

1716. Re: Brute Force AC Line Filter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 15:48:21 UTC
From: radiofun <radiofun@mchsi.com>
Message-ID: <9RJI9.286479$WL3.94504@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 3301

Don.....what exactly are you noticing in the shack? I've had several
types of RFI here. Just curious.

Bill
KC4KMG
Web Site: www.polkcounty.org/radiofun
ICQ: 11908449
Yahoo Mess: Hitradio93Q
AOL Instant Mess: Hitradio93Q

"W9CW" <w9cw@aol.com> wrote in message
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1717. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 16:15:56 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-0812021117280001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3302
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

In article <3200347.0212080228.5bb39a09@posting.google.com>, k7itm@aol.com (Tom Bruhns) wrote:

> Phil Seakins <pseakins@akamail.com> wrote in message news:<o7j5vus6blmd6a9rbh42euujlju8gn18t2@4ax.com>...
> ...
> > In your original post on this topic you referred to "reflected power
> > with RF signals" in a PA system. Further, the topic mentions "untuned
> > loads".
> >
> > Clearly, "PA" stands for Public Address. PA systems are only used for
> > audio. I am puzzled why you and several of the respondents are
> > overlooking this fact. Their is no way you could get any "normal" PA
> > system to reproduce frequencies of 40MHz.
> >
> > "Tuned loads" and "reflected power" have no relevance in audio
> > distribution. These are RF issues.
>
>
> Clearly from the context, PA means "Power Amplifier" in this case.
> I'm familiar with the term dating back to the 30's or perhaps before,
> when many transmitters were of the "MO-PA" type: two stages, master
> oscillator and power amplifier.
>
> As for Paul's question about a recommended transistor: you didn't say
> as I recall whether it's to be a linear amplifier or a class-C stage,
> and if it's class-C whether it's to be amplitude modulated or not.
> Those are important considerations. Some RF transistors are
> specifically rated with respect to the output mismatch they can safely
> handle, but if you arrange things properly, you'll be able to tune the
> antenna to provide the appropriate load to the amplifier stage, and
> not have to worry overly much about mismatch, unless you disconnect
> the antenna. It's common in RF power amplifiers, especially solid
> state ones, to sense whether the load is correct or not, and power
> things down if it's not. In the case of a fixed-tuned system designed
> to operate into a 50-ohm load, the protection might well be a built-in
> 50-ohm reflected power meter feeding an "AGC" or a shutdown signal
> back to the amp.
>
> Cheers,
> Tom

My question is: "Why do you want to put up with a mismatch if you know you have one?". Get a lower power pa and a decent load instead of more power and a lousy load. Is there an application which would have a lousy return loss and needs the pa to overcome the transmission loss? You can always use a circulator to accomplish this also, providing the frequency band is reasonable.

Steve WB4CZR

1718. Re: Brute Force AC Line Filter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 16:22:31 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-0812021124070001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3303

In article <20021208103939.26457.00008699@mb-ft.aol.com>, w9cw@aol.com (W9CW) wrote:

> I am having some AC line RFI/EMI here in my shack. Normal AC line decoupling
> procedures have not eliminated the problem. Does anyone have any info on
> "brute force" L/C AC line filters? Any info would be appreciated.
>
> Tnx es Vy 73,
> Don W9CW

Your emi could be getting down via the air and not conducted down the power line. It also can be self induced in the equipment itself. Did you try a different locale or power system? Is your supply a switcher? Is the supply magnetically and electrically shielded? If your equipment can operate off of batteries, does the problem go away on batteries if you are in the same room? Yada, yada, yada, ...

Steve WB4CZR

1719. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-08 22:47:03 UTC
From: k7itm@aol.com
Message-ID: <3200347.0212081447.4552493@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3304
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

motsteve@attbi.com (carltons) wrote in message
news:<motsteve-0812021117280001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>...
> My question is: "Why do you want to put up with a mismatch if you know you
> have one?". Get a lower power pa and a decent load instead of more power
> and a lousy load. Is there an application which would have a lousy return
> loss and needs the pa to overcome the transmission loss? You can always
> use a circulator to accomplish this also, providing the frequency band is
> reasonable.

Yeah, exactly, Steve. Like I wrote in my earlier posting, just put an
antenna matching circuit in--easy way to get a decent load. 40MHz
wouldn't probably be the place to try for a cheap circulator (I have
the impression Paul is trying to keep things simple/inexpensive), and
why waste the power anyway, when a simple matching circuit would take
care of the problem.

Cheers,
Tom

1720. Tones on an FT-225RD

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-09 03:11:20 UTC
From: dss117@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021208221120.01467.00000189@mb-cr.aol.com>
Source record: 3305

I have a Yaesu FT-225RD 2 meter base. It does not have an internal tone unit to access the repeaters. I hope to add one. Has anyone done this with this rig? Where does the tone unit conect to the rig?
Any help would be great!

Doug
KC9AYS

1721. WIDEBAND MAGNETIC LOOP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-09 09:43:16 UTC
From: Maarten Hagg <maartenmiriam@hetnet.nl>
Message-ID: <at1ojo$no9$1@reader10.wxs.nl>
Source record: 3306

LOOK @
http://home.hetnet.nl/~maartenmiriam/index.html

1722. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-09 11:42:59 UTC
From: Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk>
Message-ID: <2es8vuc98lliu5hmmerhaos6ptd2chv7lh@4ax.com>
Source record: 3308
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

On Sun, 08 Dec 2002 16:15:56 GMT, motsteve@attbi.com (carltons) opined
thusly:

>My question is: "Why do you want to put up with a mismatch if you know you
>have one?". Get a lower power pa and a decent load instead of more power
>and a lousy load. Is there an application which would have a lousy return
>loss and needs the pa to overcome the transmission loss? You can always
>use a circulator to accomplish this also, providing the frequency band is
>reasonable.

Yes, I can certainly understand your query. A bit of background...
I'm going to be using this tx in a very "signal-hostile" environment.
It's a huge aircraft hanger chock full of stray RF and other
interference from TV cameras, microwave links, PMR radios, walkie-
talkies, lighting transformers - you name it. I need to up the ERP of
our control signal to overcome these - we've been swamped out by them
on two previous occasions and enough is enough. However, I don't want
us to appear to be using anything other than bog-standard r/c
equipment in case any other competitor uses us as a scapegoat for not
being able to get a signal through themselves. Hence a 40MHz dipole
(for example) though desirable, is totally out of the question.
Nothing we're doing here is against any rule or law, we just simply
need to overcome all the background 'noise' more effectively without
appearing to have an unfair advantage.
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"I was going to help him up, but then I thumped him."
Michael Head's plea in mitigation to Weybridge Magistrates, Sept. 1975

1723. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-09 11:43:00 UTC
From: Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk>
Message-ID: <jus8vu4h11on3d5com673ve0fig96cb7fl@4ax.com>
Source record: 3309
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

On 8 Dec 2002 02:28:22 -0800, k7itm@aol.com (Tom Bruhns) opined
thusly:

>Clearly from the context, PA means "Power Amplifier" in this case.
>I'm familiar with the term dating back to the 30's or perhaps before,
>when many transmitters were of the "MO-PA" type: two stages, master
>oscillator and power amplifier.

Indeed. This is nothing to do with audio frequency.

>As for Paul's question about a recommended transistor: you didn't say
>as I recall whether it's to be a linear amplifier or a class-C stage,
>and if it's class-C whether it's to be amplitude modulated or not.

I thought class C would be the best way to go, really. The input
signal is already FM so an additional power stage shouldn't affect the
signal information adversely as it would had it been AM or SSB. We're
just simply seeking to up the power of a carrier wave, effectively.

>Those are important considerations. Some RF transistors are
>specifically rated with respect to the output mismatch they can safely
>handle, but if you arrange things properly, you'll be able to tune the
>antenna to provide the appropriate load to the amplifier stage, and
>not have to worry overly much about mismatch, unless you disconnect
>the antenna. It's common in RF power amplifiers, especially solid
>state ones, to sense whether the load is correct or not, and power
>things down if it's not. In the case of a fixed-tuned system designed
>to operate into a 50-ohm load, the protection might well be a built-in
>50-ohm reflected power meter feeding an "AGC" or a shutdown signal
>back to the amp.

Well, maybe there's a simple network one can build to match even a
random length of wire?
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1724. Re: kayaking QRP

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-09 13:04:46 UTC
From: nm5k@wt.net
Message-ID: <25eb70d7.0212090504.6cf420a0@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3307

David Walker <dwalker@newwave.net> wrote in message
news:<3DF2C86E.6A73298E@newwave.net>...
> Just wondering if anyone has any personal experience with operating QRP
> portable while on kayaking trips or any links to the experiences of
> others in volved in the same. Which they would be willing to share.
>
> Such as reported in the story in the link below.
>
> http://www.knightlites.org/Knightlite/bear_island_2001.htm
>
> I am a sometimes kayaker who has recently become interested in playing
> around with ham radio again, and this type of ARS , Adventure Radio
> Society , type of outing has some appeal to me as something worth
> trying.
>
> 73
>
> David
>
> WO8W

I do it all the time on the rivers in the Texas hill country. But I
run 100w.
Usually not QRP. I use car batteries, or deep cycles for power. I use
my mobile antenna, or throw a dipole up over tree branches. MK

1725. new ic-2725e

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-09 19:22:19 UTC
From: Denis O' Flynn <denisf@eircom.net>
Message-ID: <t36J9.34113$zX3.77648@news.indigo.ie>
Source record: 3310

Just bought the new IC-2725E dual band radio and very impressed with it so far. I have searched the Net for any mods for this radio and have not come across any. Is there any mods available or is the rig a bit too new for mods yet.

73's all
de Denis EI6HB
ei6hb@eircom.net

1726. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-09 19:36:46 UTC
From: k7itm@aol.com
Message-ID: <3200347.0212091136.69d94655@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3311
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message
news:<jus8vu4h11on3d5com673ve0fig96cb7fl@4ax.com>...
> On 8 Dec 2002 02:28:22 -0800, k7itm@aol.com (Tom Bruhns) opined
> thusly:
...
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> >as I recall whether it's to be a linear amplifier or a class-C stage,
> >and if it's class-C whether it's to be amplitude modulated or not.
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> I thought class C would be the best way to go, really. The input
> signal is already FM so an additional power stage shouldn't affect the
> signal information adversely as it would had it been AM or SSB. We're
> just simply seeking to up the power of a carrier wave, effectively.

Yep, a simple class C stage should do fine. In fact, you may find
that a transistor designed for collector-modulated AM CB band use
would do the trick for you, but you're on your own to verify the
suitability of any particular one.
...

> Well, maybe there's a simple network one can build to match even a
> random length of wire?

You bet. To begin with, you should probably pick the "random" length
to be something reasonable. If you make it very long, the radiation
pattern will have an incredible number of lobes and nulls. Try to
keep it less than a wavelength. You MUST have somewhere for the
return current to go...some groundplane or counterpoise. A simple "L"
network can match a wide variety of loads, though it helps to know
ahead of time roughly what the load is. Avoid loads which are highly
reactive or are resistive but a big ratio to your nominal transmitter
load impedance. If the transmitter expects to see a 50 ohm load, use
a (50-ohm) SWR bridge to adjust the "L" network for minimum SWR. The
more reactive your load (as a percentage), or the higher the ratio
between antenna resistance and desired resistance, the sharper and
more difficult the tuning will be. So things in the vicinity of 1/4
wave or 3/4 wave against a decent ground should be fairly easy to
match, and things near 1/2 wave or 1 wave resonance are likely to be
problematic. A large diameter "wire" (e.g., a piece of aluminum or
copper pipe) helps to keep the impedance "reasonable."

Cheers,
Tom

1727. Re: Should one worry about reflected current into untuned loads at low power?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-10 10:04:34 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-1012020506060001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3312
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur,uk.radio,amateur

In article <3200347.0212091136.69d94655@posting.google.com>, k7itm@aol.com (Tom Bruhns) wrote:

> Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message news:<jus8vu4h11on3d5com673ve0fig96cb7fl@4ax.com>...
> > On 8 Dec 2002 02:28:22 -0800, k7itm@aol.com (Tom Bruhns) opined
> > thusly:
> ...
> > >As for Paul's question about a recommended transistor: you didn't say
> > >as I recall whether it's to be a linear amplifier or a class-C stage,
> > >and if it's class-C whether it's to be amplitude modulated or not.
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> > signal information adversely as it would had it been AM or SSB. We're
> > just simply seeking to up the power of a carrier wave, effectively.
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> that a transistor designed for collector-modulated AM CB band use
> would do the trick for you, but you're on your own to verify the
> suitability of any particular one.
> ...
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> > random length of wire?
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> You bet. To begin with, you should probably pick the "random" length
> to be something reasonable. If you make it very long, the radiation
> pattern will have an incredible number of lobes and nulls. Try to
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> return current to go...some groundplane or counterpoise. A simple "L"
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> wave or 3/4 wave against a decent ground should be fairly easy to
> match, and things near 1/2 wave or 1 wave resonance are likely to be
> problematic. A large diameter "wire" (e.g., a piece of aluminum or

> copper pipe) helps to keep the impedance "reasonable."
>
> Cheers,
> Tom

I'll buy all this about the random wire especially the use of an L match. It is the most efficient and will get more of your power to the load with the least amount of circulating currents. With an L match, the higher impedance always has the shunt element across it. If you need omnidirectionality, then a coaxial sleeve antenna made from helically wound elements is for you. K4KEY (Doug) can probably help you. He has done a lot of commercial work at these frequencies. You can find him in the radio amateur call book.

Steve

1728. Wideband magnetic loop please look

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-10 11:25:25 UTC
From: Maarten Hagg <maartenmiriam@hetnet.nl>
Message-ID: <at4j02$sj9$1@reader11.wxs.nl>
Source record: 3313

Dear readers,

Please look at :

http://home.hetnet.nl/~maartenmiriam/index.html

Any comment is welcome.

Maarten Hagg

1729. Brand New IC746 w/SM-20 Desk Mic

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-10 16:23:13 UTC
From: trout <trout@nycap.rr.com>
Message-ID: <0tfcvu47nrnuenm69rkq40olfqkfdig1un@4ax.com>
Source record: 3314

New in the box:

IC746 Transceiver
SM-20 Mic

Man passed away before he could
use it. Being sold by his widow.

$1,000 plus $25 shipping.

Postal money orders gets immediate shipping.
Check needs to first clear.

No negotiating. Firm price.

Face plate still has the plastic on it.
All manuals still sealed.
High serial number.

Purchased 9-2002

1730. FS:Small Power Transformers

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-11 11:53:10 UTC
From: "S.A.W" <k1byd@home.com>
Message-ID: <b6KcnfNlCcEuu2qgXTWcog@comcast.com>
Source record: 3315
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,nj.forsale

I have 30 of these transformers .....$1.75ea....
or all for $45.00.....
Buyer pays for shipping ..
Transformers are PC Board pulls ...please check website ...Model DZ7 -24
12 volt @ 1.5or 3.0 amp or 24 volt @ 1.5amp
High isolation - 2500Vrms hipot
Low capacitive coupling - no electrostatic shield needed
PC pins for direct insertion in PC boards
Class B insulation - 130&#65533;C
Single or Dual primary - 115 or 115/230V, 50/60Hz
American and Canadian Agency Approvals
Check website below for more data on this type of transformer
http://www.powervolt.com/sz.html

S.A.W
Hamstuff@comcast.net

1731. Stub-line Transformers. New program.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-11 15:56:58 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <at7n89rjd10@sparta.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3316

NOW AVAILABLE

New Program " STUBTUNE.exe "

This program assists with the design of stub-line transformers used for such purposes as matching the feedpoint impedance of balanced radio antennas to the Zo impedance of the transmission line from the transmitter. This program is applicable only to balanced-pair lines. Transmission efficiency theough the transformer is calculated.

It is an improved version of program STUMATCH.exe in that it takes into account conductor loss in the transformer and is therefore more accurate when extreme ratios of (Antenna Impedance)/(Feedline Zo) are involved. Operating procedure is more complicated than STUMATCH. However it performs calculations beyond the facilities offered by the Smith Chart,

The program is peculiar in that the Zo of the feedline is not entered. All input data is variable in small up/down increments until the input impedance of the transformer is equal to the Zo of the line to be matched. Educational.

STUBTUNE is self-contained in one small file, download in a few seconds from website below and see how it runs.

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Regards from Reg, G4FGQ
For Free Radio Design Software
Go to http://www.g4fgq.com
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1732. Yahoogroup for FT-900 (CAT) is up now

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-12 14:31:35 UTC
From: Brian Vind <brian@oz1bv_SletDette_.dk>
Message-ID: <3df89dc8$0$47423$edfadb0f@dtext01.news.tele.dk>
Source record: 3317
Cross-posted to: alt.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.homebrew,uk.radio.amateur

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Take a look here: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ft-900/

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Vy 73 de OZ1BV, Brian
www.oz1bv.dk
www.oz1bv.dk/4sale
www.oz1bv.dk/manuals
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1733. Re: parallel relays?

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-13 03:41:23 UTC
From: Jim King <nowayjose@nospam.org>
Message-ID: <Xns92E2C8AEC5BB7nowayjosenospamorg@66.75.162.198>
Source record: 3318

What kind of load is being switched? At what voltage? AC or DC?

Selection of relay must consider not only the amp rating of the contacts, but what happens when the contacts open. If connected to an inductive load, some arcing will occur across the gaps. Relay contacts are rated for switched current, voltage, and load type. That's why the relay mfr's each have about 3.7 gazillion part numbers for relays.

J K

"rb" <rbigg@seii.net> wrote in news:asqidu$ko9$1@news.utelfla.com:

> Got five or so realys I'd like to use in a project, and hope I can
> innovate to avoid having to go out and buy one.
>
> I need capacity of 10 amps through the contacts. My relays each have
> 5 amp contact ratings. Can I parallel two of them and get close to
> having the required 10 amps I'll need (actually, I think 8 amps
> capacity would do the job)?
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>

1734. FT 920 MFJ Versa Tuner 5 For trade and More

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-13 23:04:55 UTC
From: Oris <orisnospam@dirtball.com>
Message-ID: <3DFA675F.4000809@dirtball.com>
Source record: 3319
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.cb,rec.radio.amateur,equipment

Hello
I have a FT 920 with the AM filter and FM board. The FT 920 is 100 watts HF + 6 Meters. It has a Auto tuner and the MC 100 Desk Mic. I also Have the 3 KW Roller Inductor Antenna Tuner.
They are in good shape I will trade both for a FT 990 or a FT 1000..
I have been using the FT 920 as a backup rig. Drop me a line so we can work out a deal.
oris@dirtball.com
Happy Holidays
73 and thanks for reading
Oris
N4CND
http://www.dirtball.com

1735. ARNewwsline 1322 - Dec 13 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-15 10:38:35 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021215053835.06373.00000112@mb-fp.aol.com>
Source record: 3320

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1322 – December 13, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1322 with a release date of Friday, December 13, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds as a winter blizzard sweeps the Carolinas and the FCC asks a V-E team to explain. Find out what on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1322 coming your way right now.

(Billboard Cart Here)

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS RESPOND TO CAROLINA BLIZZARD

Weathecasters described it as a clash of titans. A large cold mass of air from the North collided with a warm wet airmass from the Gulf of Mexico. The result was blizzard-like conditions in many areas of the Mid-West and along the Eastern Seaboard.

It all happened late Wednesday December 4th and all day on Thursday December 5 th. Hardest hit was North Carolina. Gary Pearce, KN4AQ, lived through the storm in Raleigh and has this first hand report:

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The storm began moving across North Carolina as snow and sleet on Wednesday afternoon, and turned to ice overnight. With temperatures hovering just below freezing, a half-inch or more of ice coated trees and power lines. Power failed to several million homes across a wide belt in the center of the state. Telephone service had fewer outright failures, but both wired and cellular service was sluggish due to the high volume of calls.

The amateur radio story began Wednesday afternoon, as SKYWARN spotters tracked the storm for the National Weather Service. As night fell and power failed, the Red Cross and county emergency management's began opening shelters to give people a warm place to stay. Amateurs in several dozen counties staffed EOCs, shelters and Red Cross offices to assure continued communications. There was no statewide communications emergency, but ARES operators kept watch on the statewide ARES HF nets, and the state EOC in Raleigh remained on the air.

On Friday, with millions of people heading into the second night without power out and temperatures predicted to dip to 18 degrees, North Carolina Governor Mike Easley declared a state of emergency and decided to send the National Guard out to do house-to-house canvassing in 22 counties, to make sure people without phones, radio and TV knew there were shelters available.

The communications plan for the Guard units was to use cell phones to call into the State EOC and make their reports. North Carolina Emergency Management asked if Amateur Radio could provide a backup if the cell phones didn't come through. But, they couldn't pin down when or where amateurs might be needed.

John Guerriero, KG4HDT, the Emergency Coordinator assigned to cover the State EOC, arranged for the Tarheel net -- NC's statewide ARES -- Net to operate all day Saturday. He announced on Friday's nets that operators may be needed at any time in the 22 counties covered. He was especially interested in hams with HF mobile capability.

Operators from many of the affected counties maintained watch Saturday, and Guerriero demonstrated the HF and VHF Amateur Radio operation to the National Guard coordinator at the EOC. Ultimately, however, the hams received no requests for Amateur Radio communication.

One county did work directly with the Guard. In Alamance County, ARES operators who already on duty providing communications between the EOC, the Red Cross and shelters offered to accompany the Guard, but were told that civilians could not ride in military vehicles. Instead, the county provided VHF radios left over from a recent move to 800 MHz, and the Amateurs at the EOC acted as dispatchers. Alamance County EC Dwayne Ayers, N4MIO, reported that this arrangement wasn't nearly as good as the coverage the hams could have provided, but it was all the Guard would accept.

ARES operation in some counties continued through Monday, though with much power restored and shelters closing, most Amateur Radio activity secured by Tuesday.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, this is Gary Pearce KN4AQ in Raleigh, North Carolina.

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As we go to air almost everyone in North Carolina have had their power restored. And the hams of North Carolina are standing by -- just in case Mother Nature has more winter storms up her sleeve. (KN4AQ, ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM RAIO IN SPACE: ARISS MEETS IN WASHINGTON

It may have been snowing outside, but that did not stop ham radio delegations from descending on the Washinton D-C area for the Winter 2002 meeting to plan the future of ARISS and manned ham radio on board the International Space Station. Roy Neal, K6DUE, was there and filed back this report:

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THE DELEGATES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF ARISS…AMATEUR RADIO ON THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION... MET AT THE GODDARD SPACE FLIGHT CENTER, NEAR THE NATION’S CAPITOL.THEY DECIDED THAT 2 THOUSAND AND TWO WAS A GOOD YEAR FOR THE SPACE STATION. IT GREW RAPIDLY AND IS WORKING WELL. THE SAME IS TRUE OF ARISS.

THERE WERE MANY EXCELLENT CONTACTS WITH SCHOOLS ALL OVER THE WORLD, INCLUDING EUROPE, SOUTH AFRICA AND JAPAN. GROUND STATIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA, AUSTRALIA AND HAWAII WORKED VERY WELL IN MAKING THOSE CONTACTS .

PACKET HAS BEEN BROUGHT ON LINE AND SEVERAL THOUSAND VERY SATISFIED USERS ARE MAKING THE MOST OF IT.

FOUR EXTERNAL ANTENNAS WERE INSTALLED LAST YEAR. A MONUMENTAL ACHIEVEMENT THAT GAVE ARISS THE CAPABILITY OF OPERATING ALMOST ANY FREQUENCY FROM 20 METERS UP INTO THE GIGAHERTZ RANGE.

AMONG ITS PROBLEMS, THE SPACE STATION HAS A CREW OF ONLY THREE ASTRONAUTS AND COSMONAUTS., INSTEAD OF SEVEN AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED. THAT SEVERELY LIMITS OPERATING TIME FOR AMATEUR RADIO. THE ARISS DELEGATES WERE TOLD THAT THE INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS HOPE TO INCREASE CREW SIZE IN THE NEAR FUTURE. HOPEFULLY A LOT MORE AIR TIME WILL BE AVAILABLE.

HAM RADIO ON THE SPACE STATION PLANS FOR THE NEXT PHASE CALL FOR EXPANSION TO 70 CENTIMETER OPERATION AND A SECOND STATION ON THE AIR. THIS WOULD OPEN THE DOOR TO FULL DUPLEX OPERATION. AT A FUTURE DATE IT MIGHT EVEN ALLOW STUDENTS TO RECEIVE PICTURES ON 70 CM WHILE TALKING ON 2 METERS!

WORK WILL CONTINUE, TESTING SLOW SCAN TELEVISION AND SPACE CAM HARDWARE, HOPEFUL OF GETTING BOTH THESE PROJECTS ON THE AIR PERHAPS BY THIS TIME NEXT YEAR.

MANY OTHER EXCITING, ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PROJECTS WERE DISCUSSED. THEY WILL BE REPORTED HERE ON NEWSLINE DURING THE COMING YEAR AS THE ARISS TEAM CONTINUES BUILDING ITS HAM RADIO STATION IN ORBIT.

ROY NEAL, K6DUE, FOR AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE

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Thanks Roy. (K6DUEE, ARNewsline(tm))

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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: RS-20 IN ORBIT

Russia has a new ham satellite in space. Well, kind of.
According to the AMSAT News Service, the new ham radio bird is actually an Amateur Radio telemetry beacon operating as a secondary payload of a new Russian navigational and scientific satellite. It was launched on November 28th, is at an altitude of 720 kilometers and circles the Earth every 99 minutes. Its beacons can be heard transmitting telemetary on 145.828 and 435.319 MHz. The new satellite has been officially named RS-20. (AMSAT NA)

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SPECTRUM ISSUES: 40 METER REALLIGNMENT DISCUSSED
The just-ended preparatory meeting for next years World Radiocommunication Conference heard five ways to fix the problems plaguing 40 meter. It also heard a sixth presentatoion that would essentially leave things as they are.

Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has more:

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Without going into minute detail, the five concepts differ markedly from one anotgher. League Executive Vice President Dave Sumner, K1ZZ, says in the ARRL Letter that all five options do represent improvements for Amateurs operatng in the 40 meter band, although two fall short of fulfilling the 300-kHz worldwide requirement.

The International Amateur Radio Union is on record as supporting a 300-kHz worldwide amateur allocation in the vicinity of 7 MHz. Sumner says that achieving this will require the fixed and mobile services to make room for broadcasters and for the broadcasters to change their operating frequencies.

The five proposed methods for change include a variety of transition schedules to ease the impact on these other services. Even with this Dave Sumner says that there is no guarantee that proposals will be limited to the six methods described in the report.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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More on this story is on the web at www.arrl.org (ARRL)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, we are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the W4VRB repeater serving warm Vero Beach Florida.

(5 sec pause here)

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ENFORCEMENT: VE'S ASKED TO ANSWER STRANGE PASSING GRADE

The FCC's Enforcement Bureau has begun an audit an ARRL VEC sponsored test session held in Pelham Georgia on June 10th 2000. Letters have been sent to the three V-E's who supervised the test. They ask some key questions:

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Duckworth" “The bureau seeks information as to how a candidate who has seriously failed seven tests passed the Pelham test with a perfect score on Element 2 and only one wrong answer on Element 3.”

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The reason for the suspicion? Again the FCC's Daryl Duckworth, NN0W:

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Duckworth: “The candidate got a license but was recalled for testing. He did not appear and his license was canceled.”

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The three V-E's were given an appropriate amount of time to respond. In the meantime the FCC has also recommended to the ARRL VEC that it not not accept their services while the matter is under review. (FCC, RAIN)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC SUGGESTS THAT FIVE VE'S ARE OUT

Meantime, the FCC has closed the books on its audit of a pair of ARRL sponsored ham radio exams in Cookville Tennessee. The sessions were held back on December 14th 1999 and March 11th, 2000. And as the FCC's Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, tells us, the Enforcement Bureau has recommended that five Volunteer Examiners not be used again:

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Duckworth: “It recommended that the services of five V-E's be no longer accepted because they knew or should have known that one of the test candidates was related to a V-E. Also, the location of one of the test sessions was not revealed in the documentation sent to the ARRL.”
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A final decision on the future of the five V-E's is now in the hands of the ARRL VEC. (FCC, RAIN)

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HAM RADIO TESTING: NEW TECHNICIAN CLASS QUESTIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Scotty Neustadter, W4WW, says that the new question pool for Technician class exams is out. Neustadter heads the Question Pool Committee of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators. And, in an e-mail, W4WW says that the committee has released a revised and expanded Amateur Technician class question pool into the public domain.

The new question pool becomes effective July 1, 2003. It must be used for all Technician written examinations given on or after that date. The complete set of questions can be downloaded in text or Portable Document File format from www.arrl.org/arrlvec/pools.html. You will need a free Adobe Acrobat reader program to view and print the P-D-F version. It can be downloaded at www.adobe.com. (W4WW)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC EXPECTED TO OK MITNICK RENEWAL

The FCC is expected to approve the license renewal of former computer hacker Kevin Mitnick, N6NHG, if it has not done so already. The W5YI Report says that an Administrative Law Judge says that Mitnick has paid his debt to society and has been adaquitey rehabilitated to where he now holds the requisite character requirements to continue as an FCC license holder.

In rendering his decision the Judge added that Mitnick has been using his radio gear since his release from prison and it is significant that there have been no complaints filed regarding his radio operations. Also, that Mitnick's post

prison conduct demonstrates that his rehabilitation can be relied upon to deal honestly with the Commission and to comply with all rules and regulations.

Mitnick's ham radio license renewal had been on hold based on his conviction for computer hacking which the FCC alluded brought with it questions regarding his fitness to remain a Commission licensee. (W5YI, ARNewsline(tm))

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC RE-LICENSES HERB SCHOENBOHM

The former KV4FZ is back on the air but not under that call sign. Herb Schoenbohm who used tohold that call sign showed up on the air during last weekends 160 metrer D-X contest sporting the call NP2MJ.

FCC records show that Schoenbohm’s new call was issued to him on December 7th. The action to grant a new ham license comes about two months after an FCC Administrative Law Judge ruled that he now holds the requisite requirements to again become a Commission license holder.

Two years ago Schoenohm was forced off the air after the FCC refused to renew his ham ticket based on an earlier fraud conviction and the U.S. Supreme Court refused to hear his license renewal appeal. Its not known if Schoenbohm will apply for his old KV4FZ call under the vanity progam -- or -- if the FCC would grant such a request. (Numerous listener reports)

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ENFORCEMENT: VK CB'ERS IN TROUBLE

Still with enforcement news, word from down-under that a pair of Australian C-B operators are in trouble with communications regulators. VK7HG-O reports that the two U-H-F C-B operators have been charged with breaches Australia's Radiocommunications Act for operating where they were not supposed to be.

On November 22nd, the two C-Bers were talking on the input channel to an emergency repeater. They refused to relinquish the frequency and would not move away. They were tracked from the town of Reinna to Richmond and back to Honbart by a ham radio direction finding team and the Australian Communications Authority. The regulatory agancy has already spoken with the two V-K Citizens Radio operators and is reportedly considering further action. (Q-News)

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RADIO POLITICS: HAM ELECTED MAYOR OF CALIFORNIA CITY

The New Mayor of Agoura Hills California is a ham. Jeff Reinhardt, AA6JR was sworn in as the city's new leader on December 3rd. He says his theme for 2003 is “The Year of Discovery.”

Reinhardt, a public relations specialist, is best known nationally as he author of his “Magic in the Sky” column at appears regularly in C-Q Magazine. He will be starting a new quarterly column on mobiling also for C-Q.

Among those attending the swearing-in ceremony were Reinhardt's wife Melissa KD6BIT, daughter Jessica KD6ARA and son Steven K6SJR. Also present were Jim Fortney K6IYK, Doug Wynn WY6NN and a number of other local Southern California hams.

2003 marks the 20th year of cityhood for Agoura Hills but only the first time a licensed radio amateur has sat in the Mayor's seat. (WY6NN)

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CONFERENCES: THE SOUTHEASTERN VHF SOCIETY

Turning to conventions and hamfests, a first call is out for papers to be presented at the 2003 Southeastern VHF Society Conference. This gathering is slated for Huntsville, Alabama, on April 25 and 26. The deadline for submitting papers to Dick Hanson, K5AND, is March 11. Dick's e-mail address is k5and@adelphia.net. Contact him directly with any questions. (VHF Reflector)

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HAM RADIO MEMORIBILIA: COLLINS REPRODUCTIONS AVAILABLE ON-LINE

Collins reproduction items, including a new antenna switch unit are now being marketed by the Collins Radio Association. This, through its Collins Radio Center location, near Johnstown, Pennsylvania. Items can be picked up in person at the center or shipped via U-P-S. More information on what's available is in cyberspace at www.collinsra.com. (Press release)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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RADIO LAW: NEW STUDY SAYS MOBILE PHONES CAUSE ACCIDENTS

Researchers say increased cell phone use has led to more crashes caused by drivers on the phone. According to a December 2nd news report, researchers at Harvard's Center for Risk Analysis, drawing on previous research involving cell phones and government figures for auto accidents, say there is a growing public health risk from the reliance on cell phones in cars.

Data on the number of crashes caused by cell phones is incomplete but it suggested that drivers talking on their phones are responsible for about 6 percent of U.S. auto accidents each year. Translated into a human toll it means that an estimated 2,600 people are killed and another 330,000 are injured.

Researchers say that the figure was reached using current cell phone usage estimates to update a 1997 study. That study looked at phone records of Canadian drivers involved in crashes to see if they were making calls at the time.

The number of cell phone subscribers has grown from 94 million in 2000 to more than 128 million today. Opponents of banning mobile phone usage by drivers say that the benefit of car calls outweigh the possible dangers that they may pose. (Published reports)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: EMERGENCY RADIO CAN INTERFERE WITH PACEMAKERS

If you wear a pacemaker or know someone who does, listen up. A new emergency radio system could affect you. Q-News Graham Kemp, VK4BB, has the details:

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United Kingdom and setting the pace –makers: New Scientist 23 November carry an article warning that TETRA, the two-way radio system being adopted by many of the worlds emergency services can interfere with the operation of medical devices like heart-pacemakers.

TETRA operates at 400 megs and uses pulse-rates of 17.6 Hz. Rex VK4LR suggests that anyone playing with PCM at VHF or even HF should be very careful in case someone nearby suddenly has unanticipated ticker problems!
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The TETRA system is a European developed standard that being adopted by emergency services in 50 countries. In addition to Europe, TETRA radios are in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Great Britains' Devices Agency found that TETRA radios can upset heart pacemakers, confuse defibrillators, and stop ventilators from working. (Q-News)

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INTRUDER WATCH: AIR ACTS ON INTERFERENCE TO 10 MHZ

A shortwave broadcaster has acted to eliminate interference to a ham band. Following a report that All India Radio was radiating spurious signals from it's 9.950 Mhz channel the broadcaster has taken the offending transmitter off the air.

All India Radio's Deputy Director said that the company decided to suspend the transmission on November 21st to investigate the cause of spurious emissions. The unwanted spurs were being heard in 50 kHz increments and included 10.1 and 10.150 MHz . (Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL - KENYA: NEW US-KENYA RECIP AGREEMENT
According to ZS6AKV, Kenya has new reciprocal licensing agreement between it and the United States. Under it, U-S citizens with F-C-C issued licenses may apply for and be granted Kenyan licenses.
ZS6AKV notes that it has taken the IARU close to ten years to achieve this

agreement. The application form to operate in Kenya can be downloaded a www.cck.go.ke. (SARL)
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INTERNATIONAL – UK: NEW UK-THAILAND RECIP AGREEMENT

The United Kingdom's Radiocommunications Agency has signed a reciprocal licensing agreement with Thailand. Visitors to Thailand may apply for a Thai license with an H-S-Zero prefix and long-term residents of Thailand receive a full Thai callsign. (RSGB)

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In D-X, HG4I reports that he will be on from Hungary between the 20th of December and 12th January with the special event call sign H-G-Zero 3-H-N-Y. This call celebrates the new year with the numerals Zero 3 representing 2003 and the H-N-Y suffix is abbreviation of phrase Happy New Year. Look for him on all of the H-F bands running CW, RTTY, BPSK, SSB, and FM on 29 MHz.. QSL directly with a self addressed stamped envelope to HG4I at the call book address. (HG4I)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THE PAPER SAID WHAT?

And finally this week, an update to a simple story that has now taken a rather bizarre twist. As in -- a reporter made part of it up and nobody caught it. Fred Vobbe, W8HDU, is back with the rest of the story:

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Last week we at Amateur Radio Newsline brought you an item about a call by the Partnership for Public Warning to create a national wireless emergency alert system. One that could send warnings to citizens via their pagers, mobile phones or computer screens.

It sounds like a good idea, only thats not what P-P-W had in mind when it released a report based on a workshop that the group conducted last June.

You see, one of the worlds largest news services picked up the story and put it out on the wires. Several news organizations including many newspapers picked up wire service story and ran their own versions of it. We were sent a number of copies by our own listeners that appeared in their local papers. And who ever questions a newspaper article? Well in this case we all should have.

Richard Rudman, W6TIA, is a Director of the Partnership for Public Warning. He ways that when his organization learned of the story its Press Relations Director contacted the news agency. Rudman says they admitted to P-P-W that their reporter made up the lead sentence about using pagers to contact the public. And as a result, the news agency actually issued a very rare retraction, but many news organizations that ran the original story did not pick up the corrected release.

For the record, Rudman says that the Partnership for Public Warning does not endorse any one vendor or technology over another. Its goal is to promote what it terms as a level playing field. One where all warning marketplace players can be more certain of rules and standards. This says W6TIA will permit them to develop on a level playing field which does not now exist. It will also promote development of common warning terminology to better serve the publics need.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Fred Vobbe, W8HDU.

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That full report of last June's P-P-W workshop was released on November 25th. You can read it on-line at www.ppw.us.org. (PPW via W6TIA, W6VR)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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Before we go this note. We have been advised that last weeks story on the Canals of Venus credited to Q-News actually originated in Bob Gonsett's CGC Communicator. There was no credit line in the Q-News audio report and we thought it was theirs. Turns out it was actually written by Bob Gonsett, W6VR.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the editors desk, I’m Mert Garlick, N6AWE, saying 73 and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002. All rights reserved.

1736. CONTEST!!!!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-15 10:52:38 UTC
From: n9rk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021215055238.18073.00000162@mb-mv.aol.com>
Source record: 3321

When: Friday, January 3, 2003
9:00 PM To 9:00 PM

Where: 6m thru microwave

Comments: The K8VC Lone Wolfe Pack High Frequency Amateur Radio Society announces it's first contest !!!
Rules: Confirm the most contacts on 6 meter thru 1.3GHz (and higher), any legal mode. eQSL or hard copy QSL confirmation.
Categories: 1.) Most contacts/ most modes; 2.) Aurora backscatter
Award: Handsome wall certificate for first place in each category.

QRV
John AB8KO
K8VC Trustee/Pres.

For more info about the contest or The Lone Wolfe Pack High Frequency Amateur Radio Society please email Renee the society secretary at: N9RK@attbi.com

1737. I need help with Azden mobile

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-15 12:49:54 UTC
From: n9rk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021215074954.28412.00000207@mb-fo.aol.com>
Source record: 3322

I have an Azden PCS-5000 2m mobile but no manual for it. I can not figure out how to set the tone on it. Does someone out there know how? If so, please email me at: N9RK@attbi.com. Also, I would like the manual for it too....if someone has one and can make me a copy I would appreciate it!!
73,
Renee N9RK

1738. CONTEST corrected info - sorry

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-15 12:52:51 UTC
From: n9rk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021215075251.28412.00000210@mb-fo.aol.com>
Source record: 3323

Greetings:

The K8VC Lone Wolfe Pack High Frequency Amateur Radio Society
announces it's first Radio contest !!!

When: Friday, January 3, 2003 9:00 PM U.S. Central time to
January 5, 2003 9:00 PM U.S. Central Time

Where: 6m thru microwave all modes and Aurora

Contest name: "Presidents 50MHz and up Challenge"

Rules: Confirm the most contacts on 6 meter thru
1.3GHz (and higher), any legal mode.

eQSL or hard copy QSL confirmation.

Categories: 1.) Most contacts / modes; 2.) Aurora backscatter

Award: Handsome wall certificate for first place in each category.

Full conest rules forthcoming. (next day or two)

email k8vc@qsl.net or n9rk@attbi.com for contest submission details
or visit http://www.qsl.net/k8vc and read the upcoming "Contest Bulletin"
at the bottom of the page SHold be posted by Monday Dec. 16th

K8VC Lone Wolfe Pack site: http://www.qsl.net/k8vc/

1739. Serious crisis in the URE (Spanish RadioHam Society)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-16 00:01:00 UTC
From: otromas@lared.zzn.com
Message-ID: <bc08f00c.0212151601.5d1dfcdd@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3324
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,es.rec.radio.amateur

Last week the Chairman-EA1RF and the ViceChairman-EA2NO of the URE (Union de Radioaficionados Espaï¿½oles ~ Spanish Radioamateur Society) have resigned.

This contribute to aggravate the chaotic economic situation of this Society.

A great majority of members demanded a long time ago responsibilities to these Board of Chairman and studying to do a censorship motion to substitut the Chairman.

Before that censorship motion, the President has taken the door and has left fleeing, anticipating his probable defeat. Simultaneously, the Vice-Chairman has done the same. Of temporary form, the functions will have to be made by the Secretary-EA1QF, who is known as a non-operative man in the management of any type of activity.

If the URE had a very doubtful future, now it has it still more complicated:
-A load of debts with banks (more than 90.000 euro).
-An important reduction of members (at the moment only about 10,000 members).
-An high increase of the quotas (20 % for the 2003)

In addition to all that, last summer, the Board of Chairman eliminated diverse basic services for the members, decision very badly welcomed by the social mass.

According to some comments in the spanish radio forums, a great number of members is not going to pay the annual quota, because they doubt that the collected money can reach to cover the ordinary necessities of the association, and it is probable that shortly the New Board of Chairman decides to put an extraordinary quota to be able to support the numerous expenses of an association that maintains infrastructures to take care of about 25,000 members.

It is possible that we be attending to the final of a founded Association more than 50 years ago with a great illusion by a group of radiohams, and how in the last 10 years has seen how by a bad management she is destroying itself.

1740. Re: Serious crisis in the URE (Spanish RadioHam Society)

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-16 10:28:53 UTC
From: citizensband <citizensband@ntlworld.com>
Message-ID: <VYhL9.343$rN1.78069@newsfep1-win.server.ntli.net>
Source record: 3325
Cross-posted to: rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc,rec.radio.amateur.policy,uk.radio.amateur,es.rec.radio.amateur

"Otilio Rodriguez" <otromas@lared.zzn.com> wrote in message
news:bc08f00c.0212151601.5d1dfcdd@posting.google.com...
>
> It is possible that we be attending to the final of a founded
> Association more than 50 years ago with a great illusion by a group of
> radiohams, and how in the last 10 years has seen how by a bad
> management she is destroying itself.

Initiate the equivalent of the British M3 licence...financial problems
solved :-)

Regards
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1741. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-17 04:34:39 UTC
From: "Daniel J. Morlan" <dmorlan@vfw-online.com>
Message-ID: <atm9h5$gtm5$1@ID-174163.news.dfncis.de>
Source record: 3326
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

But this *IS* a ham radio community, which isn't that big, is it? I'm sure your hard drive has enough space for a few posts. I don't know anyone here, but I'm saddened that a ham cheated someone else.

"Mike" <NOMAIL@rr.com> wrote in message news:0hn2tu87sksq690k1433p60fuv45gsj8jk@4ax.com...
> On 11 Nov 2002 17:38:24 -0800, radiosam@wongfaye.com (Radiosam) wrote:
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> >Tony G. <tonyg@nospam.com> wrote in message news:<tirvsus4uc3b1ael1mr16s5rtsoqf2v6u7@4ax.com>...
> >> On Mon, 11 Nov 2002 11:31:22 -0500, Andy KC2SSB
> >> <vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com> wrote:
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> >> >EA5WC - do not do business with this ham. He won the auction for my
> >> >Kenwood TM-G707A and never paid. He never replied to my email after I
> >> >gave him the total. I sent several payment reminders and even filed a
> >> >non-paying bidder complaint. Avoid any dealings with him.
> >> >=-
> >> >73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> >> >Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
> >> >http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
> >>
> >>
> >>
> >> Who cares?? This isn't EBAY. Leave him negative feedback, and get on
> >> with your life.
> >
> >Lighten up Tony. If this had happened to you, I'm sure you would want
> >to tell the world about it.
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> If every person starts posting their eBay negative feedback for non
> paying bidders here, then there would be thousands of posts a day.
> This isn't the place for it.

1742. CONTEST!!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-17 04:58:43 UTC
From: n9rk@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021216235843.14002.00000222@mb-cg.aol.com>
Source record: 3327

Contest Bulletin!!!
January 03, 2003 9:00PM Central to January 05,2003 9:00PM central
President's 50MHz and up Challenge!!!
The rules are simple... Honor system, or submit cards with S.a.s.e.
For category 1.)"Most contacts / modes",
make the most confirmed contacts on 6 meter thru visible light, and
Utilize the most modes, SSB, PSK31, SSTV, CW, etc etc.
submit your qsl cards, (eQSL accepted also) to AB8KO,
or alternately, for your convenience, submit just your log entries
via email to: K8VC@QSL.NET
For category 2.)"Aurora",
make the most confirmed contacts on 6 meter thru visible light,
"Aurora backscatter" and submit your qsl cards,(eQSL accepted also)
to AB8KO, or alternately, for your convenience,
submit just your log entries via email to: K8VC@QSL.NET

Winner in each category will receive
a handsome frameable Wall Certificate noting their acheivement
from "The Lone Wolfe Pack High Frequency Amateur Racio Society"

For more information about the society and how to join please check out K8VC at
QRZ.com

1743. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-17 18:11:58 UTC
From: Mark Hall <mark.hall34@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <ONJL9.36482$4W1.12922@nwrddc02.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3328
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

At least you didn't loose the rig in the process.

'73 KI4Z
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news:atm9h5$gtm5$1@ID-174163.news.dfncis.de...
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here,
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> news:0hn2tu87sksq690k1433p60fuv45gsj8jk@4ax.com...
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> > >> >73! de Andy KC2SSB (ex: KF4KHC/HL9HCT)
> > >> >Beachwood, NJ USA Grid FM29vw
> > >> >http://vhfradiobuff.tripod.com
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1744. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-17 21:59:15 UTC
From: Oris <orisnospam@dirtball.com>
Message-ID: <3DFF9DA8.9030802@dirtball.com>
Source record: 3329
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

If the guy ripped you off then I would sujest telling the newsgroupand
the rest of the ham community. But if it is just a EBAY dead bead then I
would post it again on EBAY and anytime that he trys to bid on your gear
remove him. I think that you would be able to block him from even
bidding on your stuff. I would also give him a negitive report and carry
on. I do believe that if he sent you a 8" block or a box of rocks then I
would be sure to tell everyone you could.
73 and Happy holidays
Oris
http://www.dirtball.com

Daniel J. Morlan wrote:

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>your hard drive has enough space for a few posts. I don't know anyone here,
>but I'm saddened that a ham cheated someone else.
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>news:0hn2tu87sksq690k1433p60fuv45gsj8jk@4ax.com...
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>>On 11 Nov 2002 17:38:24 -0800, radiosam@wongfaye.com (Radiosam) wrote:
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>>>Tony G. <tonyg@nospam.com> wrote in message
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>news:<tirvsus4uc3b1ael1mr16s5rtsoqf2v6u7@4ax.com>...
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>>>>On Mon, 11 Nov 2002 11:31:22 -0500, Andy KC2SSB
>>>><vhfradiobuff@yahoo.com> wrote:
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1745. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-19 04:40:43 UTC
From: David Green <djgreen99@earthlink.net>
Message-ID: <f5cM9.1586$X17.149206@newsread1.prod.itd.earthlink.net>
Source record: 3330
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap,rec.radio.equipment

While this isn't EBAY, one of the biggest favors you can do for the ham community is to post BRIEF messages -- actually this is an excellent place for BRIEF messages of this nature.

Why is this so? Simply because all these messages end up in a Google database, and you don't have to read them -- but someday you might want to access them. Consider that at some future point in time some poor soul may come across a business opportunity to do "business" with the individual mentioned below. Of course a search of the Ebay database is wise. BUT, a quick search of the "groups" using Google with the name and/or call sign will find THIS message -- in a month, year, five years from now. Try it if you don't believe me. Thus saving another from making a possible business transaction mistake.

While Ebay does maintain a database of performance, ANY additional information anywhere -- mainly negative will help tremendously in determining if I do business with the individual. I like to know as much, or find out as much as I can BEFORE proceeding - hopefully it will increase my odds of a successful transaction.

Just think of the newsgroups as the best database collection facility out there (okay so it pales in comparison to new Homeland "security" database) but for us amateurs out there, if you know how to use these tools you can gain a serious amount of info.

'73s
W7NE

"Mark Hall" <mark.hall34@verizon.net> wrote in message
news:ONJL9.36482$4W1.12922@nwrddc02.gnilink.net...
> At least you didn't loose the rig in the process.
>
> '73 KI4Z
> "Daniel J. Morlan" <dmorlan@vfw-online.com> wrote in message
> news:atm9h5$gtm5$1@ID-174163.news.dfncis.de...
> > But this *IS* a ham radio community, which isn't that big, is it? I'm
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1746. Motorola Saber

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-19 16:39:22 UTC
From: c <c@y.com>
Message-ID: <_CmM9.25695$3t6.25515@nwrddc03.gnilink.net>
Source record: 3331

Hello to all. I am looking for a user manual for the Motorola Saber UHF handheld. I am also looking for a contact for software. If anyone has any ideas, I would appreciate it. Thanks in advance. 73s

Christopher.

1747. Becoming a licensed Ham in the uK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-20 07:10:22 UTC
From: a_bown@yahoo.com
Message-ID: <46c8915.0212192310.6b02c464@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3332

Hi all

I've been a SW listener for about 20 years and would finally like to become a Ham, operating on HF.

Excuse my ignorance, but what would I need to do to become licensed in the UK? Also, if I was licensed in the UK and went to work overseas, would I be able to operate there, too, or would I have to take extra exams in that country.

Thanks in advance

Andy Bown

1748. Re: Becoming a licensed Ham in the uK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-20 15:29:47 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <LHGM9.14507$6k.904627@news1.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3333

Andy -- go to the Radio Society of Great Britain (RSGB) page URL:
http://www.rsgb.org.uk/
In upper left under "Amateur Radio" select "Get licensed" and "What is
Amateur Radio"

When you have a UK License you can operate in the countries that have a cept
agreement or reciprocal license aggrement with the UK

See URL: http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/regulations/io/

You can also post to the UK Amateur news group
uk.radio.amateur
That way someone near you may be able to tutor and help.
Good Luck and Happy Holidays
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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA USA
http://ac6v.com
"Andy Bown" <a_bown@yahoo.com> wrote in message
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> exams in that country.
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> Thanks in advance
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> Andy Bown

1749. Re: Becoming a licensed Ham in the uK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-20 22:08:13 UTC
From: None <root@localhost.localdomain>
Message-ID: <au04cdcka1@sparta.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3334

Don't post to uk.radio.amateur the people there will think you are 'trolling'. In ~Jan of this year the UK introduced a new scheme called the foundation course making it easier for people to get into the hobby. A lot of the older hams resent this and many of them hang out in that group.

Andy's advice on checking out the RSGB web site is good and you should also find your local club. Many clubs run weekend courses taking you through the necessary training and running the test all one go. This will get you an M3 callsign a few weeks later allowing you to use all bands except 10m with a max of 10w. After that its up to you how far you want to go.

Note the regulations may change again next year making it a more complex process!

G.

AC6V wrote:

<snip>
> You can also post to the UK Amateur news group
> uk.radio.amateur
> That way someone near you may be able to tutor and help.
> Good Luck and Happy Holidays
<snip>

1750. Re: Becoming a licensed Ham in the uK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-20 22:21:38 UTC
From: None <root@localhost.localdomain>
Message-ID: <au055h$2vb$1@knossos.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3335

Must learn to proof read my postings......

1751. Re: Becoming a licensed Ham in the uK

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-20 22:41:19 UTC
From: Reg Edwards <g4fgq.regp@btinternet.com>
Message-ID: <au06aefep1@sparta.btinternet.com>
Source record: 3336

Why not first become a CB-er just to get acclimatised ?

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> become a Ham, operating on HF.
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> the UK? Also, if I was licensed in the UK and went to work overseas,
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>
> Thanks in advance
>
> Andy Bown

1752. Re: BAD GUY ALERT: Deadbeat ham - EA5WV

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-21 00:58:00 UTC
From: pin-medic <ff-paramedic@attbiSPAMSUX.com>
Message-ID: <s0PM9.411701$WL3.118829@rwcrnsc54>
Source record: 3337
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.vhf-uhf,alt.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.swap

I personally think that this is an excellent place to post these notices:
many hams read them, these are the people that buy and sell these rigs, so
why not have a heads up that you may not otherwise have. It is no big deal
to ignore the post if you do not want to read it.

JT

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1753. Help with KAM XL in PSK 31

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-21 19:21:31 UTC
From: Ed <edcummins@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <Kg-dnW0WsejzIpmjXTWcqQ@comcast.com>
Source record: 3338

Hello:

I have a KAM XL and can't seem to get it to transmit in PSK 31. It hears fine and I can read the stations. When I go to transmit the lights go on the KAM and the Icom IC 746 but there does not appear to be any power coming out. Does the ICOM need to be in LSB or RTTY ? I am using the PACTERM software and have tried a number of settings.

Any help would be appreciated

Thanks

Ed
W3ETC

1754. Blue Angels coming back to Mount Comfort

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-21 20:24:29 UTC
From: Artie DeCoe <Artie@dcoe.net>
Message-ID: <TjadnSGIov4XUJmjXTWcpQ@comcast.com>
Source record: 3339

http://www.indyairshow.com/

1755. For Sale: Palomar Engineers M-827 HF SWR & Power Meter.

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-21 22:20:41 UTC
From: Burt <burt@rocketmail.com>
Message-ID: <ZO5N9.419363$P31.149075@rwcrnsc53>
Source record: 3340

For Sale: Palomar Engineers M-827 HF SWR & Power Meter.
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1946854293&ssPageName=ADME:B:LC:US:1

1756. For Sale: Johnson Low Pass filter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-21 22:22:42 UTC
From: Burt <burt@rocketmail.com>
Message-ID: <SQ5N9.297249$GR5.97782@rwcrnsc51.ops.asp.att.net>
Source record: 3341

For Sale: Johnson Low Pass filter
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&item=1946855540&ssPageName=ADM
E:B:LC:US:1

1757. need ADMS-2 software for FT-2600

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-23 00:08:55 UTC
From: Francois Berube <francois.berube@ccapcable.com>
Message-ID: <musN9.13044$5B.78027@weber.videotron.net>
Source record: 3342

Hello, i'm looking for the ADMS-2 software for the FT-2600.

Please let me know if you have this software.

VA2RC

1758. Re: copying cw on a computer

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-23 05:34:55 UTC
From: whagen6@cs.com
Message-ID: <20021223003455.28406.00000246@mb-fv.news.cs.com>
Source record: 3343

computers can be a very narrow audio filter, with the computer doing the digitizing and knotching, instead of doing it at the radio.
There are several good computer programs, one that I like displays the spectrum 3 khz wide, all the different cw signals, and you just put your cursor on one, click on it, and it is then decoded and all the others are left alone. the computer does the very narrow filtering on the audio signal.
Where the computer does have problems is with a sloppy fist, and sometimes it doesnt take much to be off rythem.

1759. packet modem cable for Kenwood TH22AT

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-23 11:51:10 UTC
From: rao_vasu@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <3f4c0ce3.0212230351.211cb662@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3344

Hi,

I would like to know the details of a cable to be used with a Kenwood
TH22AT and a sound card for packet operation.

Or any tips as how to make one.

-Thanks in advance
VU3BIP

1760. QSO Card Database

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-23 12:47:01 UTC
From: Kaz <kasdorf@comcast.net>
Message-ID: <HGydnfWIRYebm5qjXTWc3A@comcast.com>
Source record: 3345

Have been searching, unsuccessfully, for a program that would allow me to catalog scanned images of QSO card collection. Looking for "anything" but thinking of something like the business card scanning/cataloging software. Entries for call sign, contact info, frequency, contact time/date, etc., and a window for the image of the card to appear. Naturally it would only be useful if I could then search by various criteria. A QSO logging program would work - IF there is a place for the scanned image, but haven't seen such a feature yet.
Anyone know of anything like this?
George

1761. Re: need ADMS-2 software for FT-2600

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-23 17:40:11 UTC
From: Frog <FrogRemailer@bigfoot.com>
Message-ID: <906W7MRF37613.7779050926@Gilgamesh-frog.org>
Source record: 3346

In article <musN9.13044$5B.78027@weber.videotron.net>
"Francois Berube" <francois.berube@ccapcable.com> wrote:
>
> Hello, i'm looking for the ADMS-2 software for the FT-2600.
>
> Please let me know if you have this software.

You can find a local dealer at
http://www.yaesu.com/amateur/map.html

Or the software and cable can be purchased for $38 at
www.hamcity.net

You WERE, of course, planning all along to do the right thing
and buy a copy instead of stealing, right?

1762. Re: need ADMS-2 software for FT-2600

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-23 18:35:23 UTC
From: Idontwantspam@net
Message-ID: <3e075725.13547370@news.bellatlantic.net>
Source record: 3347

On 23 Dec 2002 17:40:11 -0000, Frog <FrogRemailer@bigfoot.com> wrote:

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>You WERE, of course, planning all along to do the right thing
>and buy a copy instead of stealing, right?
>
RT systems will sell the software and cable seperately, as many hams
make their own interface cables.

Happy trails,
Gary (net.yogi.bear)
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at the 51st percentile of ursine intelligence

Gary D. Schwartz, Needham, MA, USA
Please reply to: garyDOTschwartzATpoboxDOTcom

1763. Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-24 14:19:39 UTC
From: Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk>
Message-ID: <hkqg0vcbres0tmiephkrkqe01a1lj5i399@4ax.com>
Source record: 3348
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

Hi all,

I have a fairly oldish (say 1970) GDM which can also function
(theoretically at any rate) as a relative field-strength meter.
However, it's pretty 'deaf' so the later functionality of it is
impaired. The degree of dip when sussing out plain tuned-circuits is
also pretty lousy. Taking the back off shows the amplifying section of
this unit to consist of two elderly-looking tin-cased 2SB422
transistors which for some reason are soldered in circuit with full
inch-and-a-half leads. Seems a bit odd given the claimed top-end
frequency response of 280Mhz. Anyway, what, in the view of the panel,
are the most suitable up-to-date devices to replace 'em with in order
to improve sensitivity?
thanks
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"What is now proved was once only imagin'd"
- William Blake, 1793

1764. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-24 16:20:23 UTC
From: "George R. Gonzalez" <grg2@attbi.com>
Message-ID: <aP%N9.292195$pN3.22626@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3349
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

"Paul Burridge" <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message
news:hkqg0vcbres0tmiephkrkqe01a1lj5i399@4ax.com...
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If those are bipolar transistors, that would explain the poor dips.

You need a tube or FET in the oscillator signal to get a good dip.

Try the ARRL handbook, they used to have a FET dipper in there.

1765. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-24 17:42:36 UTC
From: Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk>
Message-ID: <lo6h0v0umr92eo1o7j2gs8pfil8hm9kf6b@4ax.com>
Source record: 3250
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

On Tue, 24 Dec 2002 16:20:23 GMT, "George R. Gonzalez"
<grg2@attbi.com> opined thusly:

>If those are bipolar transistors, that would explain the poor dips.
>
>You need a tube or FET in the oscillator signal to get a good dip.

Thanks. I note that in the handbook it says that they are "PNP type
alloy-junction germanium transistors" whatever they are. The
oscillator stage uses a "PNP MESA type germanium transistor" - again
not a type I'm familiar with.
Something's definitely amiss with it anyway, since (when used as a
relative FSM) the tx's antenna needs to be practically physically
coupled to the meter's sensor coil!

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I have one to hand and will have a gander. In the meanwhile, if
anyone's got a suitable device to suggest, I'd be interested to hear.
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1766. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-24 21:12:00 UTC
From: John Woodgate <jmw@jmwa.demon.contraspam.yuk>
Message-ID: <uef+B4Bg2MC+EwUR@jmwa.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 3251
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

I read in sci.electronics.design that Paul Burridge
<pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote (in <hkqg0vcbres0tmiephkrkqe01a1lj5i3
99@4ax.com>) about 'Improving a Grid Dip Meter', on Tue, 24 Dec 2002:
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>frequency response of 280Mhz. Anyway, what, in the view of the panel,
>are the most suitable up-to-date devices to replace 'em with in order
>to improve sensitivity?

Changing the transistors is most unlikely to produce any improvement,
assuming they are not faulty. To take advantage of modern devices, a
total re-design would be required.
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Regards, John Woodgate, OOO - Own Opinions Only. http://www.jmwa.demon.co.uk
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http://www.isce.org.uk
PLEASE do NOT copy news posts to me by E-MAIL!

1767. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-24 23:05:50 UTC
From: bigcat@meeow.co.uk
Message-ID: <a7076635.0212241505.51efef01@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3252
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message
news:<hkqg0vcbres0tmiephkrkqe01a1lj5i399@4ax.com>...
> Hi all,
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> I have a fairly oldish (say 1970) GDM which can also function
> (theoretically at any rate) as a relative field-strength meter.
> However, it's pretty 'deaf' so the later functionality of it is
> impaired. The degree of dip when sussing out plain tuned-circuits is
> also pretty lousy. Taking the back off shows the amplifying section of
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> are the most suitable up-to-date devices to replace 'em with in order
> to improve sensitivity?
> thanks

Long leads are needed on geraniums. Try soldering them with short
leads and they're dead.

Regards, NT

1768. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-25 12:44:30 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-2512020746150001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3253
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

In article <a7076635.0212241505.51efef01@posting.google.com>,
bigcat@meeow.co.uk (N. Thornton) wrote:

> Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk> wrote in message
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I gather from the info given that the two transistors are part of the post
processing of the "grid dip". Germanium alloy transistors had Ft's way
too low to be usable at 260 MHz. I would guess that your active element
would be a 6CW4 or some other such tube. If my guess is correct, then
replacing the transistors can be done, but would probably not fix your
problem adequately. You would be better off taking the advise given you
already from others and try and salvage what you can from the present grid
dipper, such as the case, meter, supply, etc.

Good luck and happy trails.

Steve WB4CZR

1769. N4RPD WEB PAGE UPDATED!

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-26 02:46:21 UTC
From: N4RPD <n4rpd@cox.net>
Message-ID: <14uO9.70012$pe.2358565@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 3254
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.ssb,alt.radio.amateur,rec.ham-radio,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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http://www.qsl.net/n4rpd

73,
Rob N4RPD

1770. For Sale Or Trade

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-26 19:59:42 UTC
From: Carl Domanico <carl.domanico@verizon.net>
Message-ID: <3E0B5FE0.5010503@verizon.net>
Source record: 3255

Hi I have a Standard C-5718DA 144/440 Remotable Mobile...I have the optional Memory Chip Installed, allowing for 100 Memory Channels per band. I have spare Mic Extention Cables at different lengths....I purchased the radio and accessories new...I'm really looking for a swap not cash....I'm in the Market for an High Frequency Radio....All offers will be looked in to.....

Thanks
Carl
N2MFW

1771. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-27 04:15:14 UTC
From: norway@passport.ca
Message-ID: <msQO9.14271$L8.38790238@news.primus.ca>
Source record: 3256
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

I'd bet that the active RF device is a tunnel diode. I recall that Heathkit offered a "Tunnel-dipper" in the '80s, and it had a bad reputation because of the low level of RF it emitted.

David Snowdon, VA3DKS

In article <motsteve-2512020746150001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>, motsteve@attbi.com (carltons) wrote:

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>already from others and try and salvage what you can from the present grid
>dipper, such as the case, meter, supply, etc.
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>Good luck and happy trails.
>
>Steve WB4CZR

1772. Average Noise Figure

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-27 12:14:59 UTC
From: brmadhukar@hotmail.com
Message-ID: <2c04c006.0212270414.54604238@posting.google.com>
Source record: 3257

Hi,
I am quite new to this group.

I am interested in knowing how do we measure the average noise figure of a receiver (Over a band of frequencies -> Average), if analog IF is available and if only digital output is available.

TIA
Madhukar B R

1773. Online HAM Radio Practice Exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-27 14:28:50 UTC
From: n4rpd <n4rpd@cox.net>
Message-ID: <CsZO9.79346$pe.2687321@news2.east.cox.net>
Source record: 3258
Cross-posted to: alt.ham-radio.dxing,alt.ham-radio.fm,alt.ham-radio.hf,alt.ham-radio.nocode,alt.ham-radio.packet,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,rec.radio.amateur.misc

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current license classes. A new exam is generated every time you visit too.

Good luck and 73,
Rob N4RPD

1774. FA: Motorola SABER programming cable

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-28 00:42:12 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <tqsp0vk5s5cophd79af995bsqrh8k2g8gq@4ax.com>
Source record: 3259

FA: Motorola SABER programming cable
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=296&item=1948374532

1775. ARNewsline 1323 - Dec 20 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-28 14:34:23 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021228093423.01841.00000033@mb-cu.aol.com>
Source record: 3260

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1323 – December 20, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1323 with a release date of Friday, December 20, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Newfoundland joins the 5 megs experiment and Guam's ham radio community is reported safe following a super typhoon. Find out more on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1323 coming your way right now.

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HAM RADIO TECHNOLOGY: NEWFOUNDLAND JOINS 5 MEGS EXPERIMENT

The 5 megs experiment is growing once again. This, as hams in Newfoundland come on board to try their hand at propagation on what may wind up as a future ham radio band. Jeramy Boot, G4NJH, reports from Nottingham in the U-K:

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VO1MRC, the Marconi Radio Club of Newfoundland club station, has received experimental authorization to transmit CW and upper sideband on seven spot frequencies around 5.3MHz for three four-day periods.

The next session is from the 20th to 23rd of December inclusive and the frequencies that VO1MRC can use are 5260, 5269, 5280, 5290, 5319, 5329 and 5400kHz. The experiment is to look at the differences in ground wave and sky wave propagation on 3.5, 5.3 and 7mhz.

Jeramy Boot, G4NJH.
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The original 5 megs experiment began several months ago in the UK. It required British hams to get special temporary authority to use the band. The experiment proved so popular and so many hams applied that British telecommunications regulators had to put further permits on hold until they could reassess the impact to the band. (GB2RS)

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RESCUE RADIO: SUPER-TYPHOON HITS GUAM - HAMS AFE AND OPERATING

Reports over a popular ham radio website that the territory of Guam was hit by a "Super Typhoon" on Sunday December 8th. And while no stations from Guam have been heard here in the United States, reports over the Internet say that everyone is O-K. We have more in this report:

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Duncan Campbell, KF6ILA portable KH2 lives on Guam. He says over the QRZ

website that the typhoon packed sustained winds of 160 miles per hour with gusts topping 190 miles per hour.

News reports pick up from there. They say that the storm damaged much of the island's infrastructure including electrical power and knocked out wired and cellular telephone service. And Campbell’s posting adds that along with the loss of electricity and water, the port of Guam was the scene of a major fire that destroyed the reserve tanks of fuel used across the island. The blaze started during the storm and the island is now low on gasoline. He says that the sale of the remaining fuel is restricted to emergency vehicles only.

With the clean up now underway the good news is that all the Amateur radio operators on Guam are believed to be safe. Campbell says that several hams are known to have lost their antenna systems and the islands only repeater was also blown off the air. This, the result of the collapse of a nearby cellular telephone tower striking it as it fell.

KF6ILA says that some hams are already back on the air handling post storm related communications. All operation is on the high frequency bands centered near 14.310, 21.375 and 28.520 MHz. Another frequency -- 7.085 MHz is supposed to be used for emergencies but so far no stations have been heard.

By Sunday December 15th, Andersen Air Force Base and part of hotel row in the town of Tumon had power restored. But news reports say that other parts of Guam could remain blacked out for a fairly long time. And even though its almost two weeks since the storm hit, if you hear ongoing emergency or storm related communications please give it priority over any other use you might have for the frequency.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Graham Kemp, VK4BB, of Q-News Australia.

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A little more information comes from the Guam Pacific Daily News. It says that that the Red Cross and Salvation Army are on Guam providing post typhoon relief. Also, that the Red Cross service center has already processed over 200 requests for disaster assistance.

Meantime, another poster to QRZed says that he arrived in port at Guam on December 14th. N6HPX says that the repeater is back up and operating on 146.91 MHz, but there is nobody on the air using it. (QRZ, Q-News, others)

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RESCUE RADIO: NEW SALVATION ARMY STATION

Speaking about the Salvation Army, word that it and the Oklahoma City Autopatch Association hosted the grand opening of the Salvation Army Emergency Communication Center. It took place in Oklahoma on Saturday, December 14th. The new center is located at the Salvation Army Citadel on SE 44th Street in Oklahoma City.

Frank McCollum, N5FM, the station trustee, held the first net from the new facility at 9 am. McCollum helped to establish the first station in 1986, at

The Salvation Army's Arkansas Oklahoma and Divisional Headquarters where it remained until two years ago.

The new station features very modern gear. It is designed to allow multiple High Frequency, VHF and UHF stations to provide ongoing communications services at the same time. (WA6LBU)

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ENFORCEMENT: FCC CLEARS CT TESTING

Turning to enforcement news, the FCC has closed the books on its audit of a Connecticut VE testing session. The good news is that no violations of any rules were uncovered. The FCC’s Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, explains:

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Duckworth: “The Enforcement Bureau has informed the ARRL that it has concluded its audit of the Trumbull Connecticut test session of May 10 2001 and found no wrong doing by the VE’s. The Bureau cautioned the ARRL however, that when the number of VE’s exceeds the number of test candidates, control and supervision of a test session is more complicated.”
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The FCC says that all ten V-E’s did follow proper procedures while administering the exam. It also thanked them for their cooperation in resolving the matter. (FCC, RAIN)

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Break 1

From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the WA6BAI repeater serving Visalia California.

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SPECTRUM ISSUES: REVISED 6 METER BANDPLAN IN SERA TERRITORY

The South Eastern Repeater Association’s Repeater Journal says that there is a revised 6 meter bandplan in place for repeater operation in states that it oversees. Under the new plan the 15 repeater pairs using 2.51 MHz offset have been eliminated. This is because the outputs of the 2.51 MHz spaced repeater pairs fell on the 20 Kilohertz spaced channels from 53.71 to 53.99 MHz.

The South East Repeater Association says its goal is to simplify the bandplan for 6 meters. The revised plan calls for 15 repeater pairs using 500 kHz offset and 20 kHz spacing with outputs from 51.70 to 52.92 MHz and 39 channel pairs using 1 MHz offsets and 20 kHz spacing outputting between 52.01 to 53.99 MHz. The few repeaters originally coordinated using the 2.51 MHz offset are being grandfathered and allowed to continue operation under the old system.

The South Eastern Repeater Association is one of the nations largest all-volunteer repeater councils. It provides coordination services for repeaters in Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia and West Virginia. (SERA Journal)

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SPECTRUM ISSUES: ADDITIONAL BANDS FOR UNLICENSED DEVICES

The FCC says that it is seeking comments on the possibility of permitting unlicensed transmitters to operate in additional parts of the electromagnetic spectrum. According to Bob Gonsett’s CGC Communicator, the regulatory agency specifically wants comments on the feasibility of allowing unlicensed devices to operate in the TV broadcast spectrum.

But that’s not all. CGC says that the Commission is also looking for comments on the feasibility of permitting unlicensed devices to operate in other bands and at power levels higher than other unlicensed transmitters. The FCC believes that advances in computer technology make it possible to design equipment that could monitor the spectrum to detect frequencies already in use. This says the FCC would ensure that transmissions only occur on open frequencies. So far, no Amateur Radio service frequencies have been specifically targeted by the proposal.

More on this issue is on the FCC website at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-229400A1.doc (CGC Communicator)

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SPECTRUM ISSUES: NEW BANDS FOR EMERGING TECHNOLOGY

Also from the CGC Communicator comes word that the FCC has allocated 90 MHz of spectrum for advanced wireless services. The bands in question are from 1710 to 1755 MHz and from 2110 to 2155 MHz.

The FCC indicates that this spectrum could be used by current cellular and PCS licensees to expand their capacity by offering wireless voice and data services such as 3 G. Or it might be used by others to support the development of entirely new applications that are distinct from existing offerings. Either way, the FCC is seeking comments on licensing, technical, and operational rules.

More is on the web at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DOC-228237A1.doc (CGC Communicator)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ROCK STAR GIVES MAJOR DONATION TO ARRL BIG PROJECT

Some good news on the ham radio education front. The ARRL Letter says that rock entertainer Joe Walsh, WB6ACU, has made a major contribution to ARRL's Education and Technology Fund.

According to the Leagues Chief Development Officer Mary Hobart, K1MMH, the significant gift through the Joseph F. Walsh Foundation. Hobart says that it will fund an additional eight pilot schools in the ARRL Education and Technology Program.

Walsh is best-known as a guitarist, vocalist and songwriter with The Eagles and The James Gang. He has been an active Amateur Radio operator for more than 37 years, is an avid collector of vintage radio gear and a longtime friend of Heil Sound's Bob Heil, K9EID.

The amount of Walsh's donation was not made public. An up-close and personal profile of WB6ACU appeared in the November issue of C-Q Magazine. (ARRL)

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: REPEATER COORDINATION PIONEER NAMED NEVADA SM

A ham who helped to pioneer repeater frequency coordination in Southern California has been named as the new ARRL Nevada Section Manager. Amateur Radio Newsline has a look at Dick Flanagan, W6OLD.

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Dick Flanagan, W6OLD, is replacing Jan Welsh, NK7N as Nevada Section Manager. According to an ARRL release, Flanagan, a resident of Minden Nevada was the recipient of the ARRL 2000 Excellence in Recruiting Award and was active in the successful effort to secure an Amateur Radio antenna bill in Nevada. But long before that -- back in the early 1970's, W6OLD started his ham radio political career while still a resident of Los Angeles California.

It was in 1971 that W6OLD helped to create the famed Southern California Repeater Association or SCRA. He also served several terms of office with that group. And it was during his tenure that SCRA pioneered many innovations in the area of repeater coordination and dealing with the FCC on repeater related issues. And under Flanagan's leadership the SCRA worked out a frequency sharing scheme with Baja California Mexico that still remains in force -- essentially as negotiated -- more than two decades later.

Since moving to Nevada W6OLD has held a number of positions in the ARRL Field Organization. This includes ARRL Official Observer, Official Emergency Station and ARRL VEC volunteer examiner. Most recently he has also been serving as an assistant Section Manager.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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The ARRL says that Welsh is stepping down at the end of the year for personal reasons. (ARRL, SCRA Archives)

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RADIO PUBLICATIONS: WRTH 2003 NOW AVAILABLE

The new 2003 edition of the World Radio and T-Handbook is now available. Better known as WRTH, the latest edition contains the details of most broadcast entities plus details of transmissions made in the English, French, German,

Spanish and Portuguese languages. To find out more, take your web browser to www.wrth.org (WRTH)

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RADIO REMEMBERS: STAMP COLLECTING OPERATORS

The Radio Stamp Operators Group reminds us that a year ago, on November 15, 2001, the Japanese Postal Service released an 80-yen postage stamp honoring the 50th anniversary of commercial radio and TV in that country. The stamps depict the images of the microphone used when commercial radio broadcasting began, the first monochrome television camera used for commercial television broadcasting, and at television set up for street viewing. More information on radio stamp collecting is on yahoogroups at radiostamps@yahoogroups.com (RSG)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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THE ARNEWSLINE SUPPORT FUND REPORT WITH N6TCQ

Ladies and gentlemen, the administrator of the Amateur Radio Newsline support fund, Andy Jarema, N6TCQ:

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With the holiday season upon us, I need to ask you to add one more name to your gift list. Of course I'm referring to Amateur Radio Newsline.

Without going into a bunch of numbers that will bore you, let's just say that we will end the year with a deficit and it will grow in months to come. That is unless you, the Amateur Radio Newsline listener step up to help.

What we need is immediate support so we can pay the back bills and ongoing support to prevent any back bills. And only you can make it so.

Remember, Amateur Radio Newsline is a federal 501 (C)(3) not for profit orporation and donations to it are tax deductable. This is an excellent way to do some end-of-year "window dressing" on your personal or club's taxable income.

The address is the Amateur Radio Newsline Support Fund, Post Office Box 660937, Arcadia California. The zipcode is 91066.

If you missed that address don't worry. It will be repeated in the close of this weeks report.

Andy Jarema, N6TCQ

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Thanks Andy. (ARNewsline Support Fund)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: BOSTON TV STATION DISRUPTS POLICE SYSTEM

A Boston-area TV station's new 24-hour-a-day digital transmitter is disrupting Camden County New Jersey police communications over 100 miles away. Amateur Radio Newsline's Ken Locke, N8PJN, fills us in:
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The South Jersey Courier-Post newspaper says that twice last summer, the new digital transmitter used by WCVB in Boston Massachusettes interfered with field communications to Camden County's communications headquarters in the town of Lindenwold. The town's leaders want the problem to go away.

By way of background, WCVB began broadcasting its Federally mandated digital television signal on Channel 20 in 1998. But the problem in the currently shared 506 through 512 megahertz band did not show up in Southern New Jersey until this year. In January WCVB began full time, round-the-clock digital programming. A summertime conditon hams call tropospheric ducting is being tabed as the cause of the interference.

A duct acts kind of like an R-F tunnel from one geographic area to another. This one is putting South Jersey in Boston's back yard and vice versa during the warmer months of the year.

Engineers seem to agree that the police or the television station will have to move frequency. The big question is which one will make the change. New Jersey Congressman Rob Andrews met with county representatives and is now working to arrange a meeting between them and the FCC in Washington. They want the station to move.

But some consultants and communications lawyers feel it will be the county thats told to change frequency. They say that broadcasting is mandated the spectrum on a primay basis.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Ken Locke, N8PJN.
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The bottom line. This one looks as if it could become a political football for the FCC. (South Jersey Courier-Post , Portland SBE, KB4KCH, others)
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HAM RADIO IN SPACE: SPACE STATION ACTION PLAN APPROVED

The leaders of the five space agencies that are partners in the International Space Station have approved a new operating plan for the orbital outpost. Meeting in Tokyo Japan, the group has approved. Among the more important items to Amateur Radio is increasing the number of permanent crew members so that research projects can proceed more swiftly. More people on-board the ISS means an increased chance or QSO's.

Right now, with limited crew resources of three Astronauts research takes a back seat to construction aimed at completing the orbital station. By 2006 that number is expected to at least double if a method of emergency evacuation can first be worked out. The current escape vehicle which is mandatory to ISS crew deployment can carry only three. (Adapted from published news reports)

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INTERNATIONAL - CANADA: ONTARIO SM RE-ELECTED

On the International scene, Radio Amateurs of Canada reports that Robert McKenzie, V-E-3-S-J-Q has been re-elected Section Manage of the Canadian Province of Ontario. His next two-year term begins on March 1st.. McKenzie ran unopposed eliminating the need for a balloted election. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL-CANADA: LICENSING RECORD UPDATE

Records maintained by Industry Canada and Radio Amateurs of Canada show that the Canadian callsign database is becoming corrupted by inaccurate information. Radio Amateurs of Canada says that one of the prime reasons for this is the failure of some Canadian Radio Amateurs to advise the licensing authority of address changes.

The rules in Canada that the holder of an Amateur Radio Operator Certificate shall notify the Department within thirty days with respect to a change of mailing address. Unfortunately, this does not appear to be happening in all cases. (RAC)

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INTERNATIONAL - SOUTH KOREA: INVESTING IN THE WWW

South Korean telephone companies plan to invest the equivalent of $10.9 billion in U-S dollars in broadband networks by 2005. This, as a growing number of people in that nation demand access to high-speed Internet services.

In making the announcement South Korea's Ministry of Information and Communication did not provide breakdowns of the investment plans. It did note that South Korea boasts having the world's highest Internet penetration with more than one fifth of the population having access to high-speed Internet services. (News release)

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HAM TESTING - SOUTH AFRICA: ZS EXAM SUCCESS

And talk about high exam scores. The South African Radio League has announced that during the October 2002 Radio Amateur Examinations that four candidates achieved the first place in the test. SARL says that each of these applicants emerged with an average of 99% in the overall exam. (SARL)

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INTERNATIONAL – UK: FOUNDATION LICENSE PARTY

The United Kingdom plans to celebrate the first year of its new Foundation Class license with a big on-the-air QSO Party. The Foundation License for 'QSO Party' for M-3 prefix licensees and their friends on the 1st of January 2003 from 10:00 and 15:00UTC. Operations will be on 40 meters around 7.070 MHz, plus or minus any QRM. (RSGB)

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DX

In DX, word of a new station on from the Sudan. His name is Marco. His call sign is ST1MN, and he is reportedly will be active on all of the High Frequency bands through the end of June 2003. (RSGB)

Also, VK8AN will be active as 4W6AN from Dili, East Timor. This, from around the 19th of December through the end of the year. Due to limited notice he will only be running about 15 watts to a dipole or groundplane antenna. QSL only via VK4AAR. (Via e-mail)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: THAT FINAL ITEM: STAR TREK -- HERE WE COME

And finally this week a story about the ultimate form of communication. About sending yourself electronically to anyplace you might want to go. Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, has the far out story of science fiction on its way to becoming science fact:

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As incredible as it may seem, a Star Trek like transporter may be a step closer to reality. This, after physicists in Denmark make two samples of trillions of atoms interact at some distance.

The experiment involved a science called quantum entanglement. This is a mysterious theory of a controlled spiraling of two or more particles without any physical contact. Scientists say that these entangled states are needed for quantum computing and for teleportation.

Before the team at the University of Aarhus made its breakthrough other scientists had successfully developed entangled states of a few atoms. But the scientists in Denmark have now done it with very large numbers.

At the moment nobody is about to teleport anyone, anywhere. But the research, which was reported in the science magazine Nature makes the idea of instantly transporting an object from one place to another less far fetched.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF.
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We know you are waiting for the obvious tag line, so we won’t disappoint you. If all goes well, maybe the term “Beam me up - Scotty” will be reality in our great, great, great grandchildrens lifetime. The only question is whether or not a 5 word per minute code test will be required to “communicate” using that rather exotic mode. (Future Technology)

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

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1776. ARNewsline 1324 - Dec 27 2002

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-28 14:40:25 UTC
From: radionews@aol.com
Message-ID: <20021228094025.01841.00000044@mb-cu.aol.com>
Source record: 3261

Amateur Radio Newsline™ Report 1324 – December 27, 2002

Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1324 with a release date of Friday, December 27, 2002 to follow in 5-4-3-2-1.

The following is a Q-S-T. Ham radio responds to a Southern California gas leak and interference issues are front and center with the FCC. These stories and more come your way on Amateur Radio Newsline report number 1324 beginning right now.

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RESCUE RADIO: HAMS RESPOND TO SOCAL GAS LEAK

Ham radio is there to provide communications as a gas leak hits Huntington Beach California. Amateur Radio Newsline's Bruce Tennant, K6PZW, has the rest:

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Glorria Morrison, KE6ATG, is the Huntington Beach California Fire Department Emergency Services Coordinator. She was in the process of briefing the new Police Chief, Kenneth Small, on routine procedures on Wednesday, December 11th when the meeting was interrupted by a report of a natural gas leak. Nine fire companies were assigned to the incident. Public Works and Police Department personnel were also sent to the scene.

First order of business -- a near-by 55-unit apartment complex had to be evacuated. Fire Battalion Chief Jacques Pelletier requested that a Care and Reception Center be set up for displaced resident. Huntington Beach RACES was soon activated. It established a net and began logging-in availability of members for the response. 20 RACES made themselves available.

Meanwhile, a call was made to the Community Emergency Response Team Shelter Leader to activate five volunteers for service at the Care and Reception Center location. Tim Sawyer, WD6AWP, acted as net control operator. Huntington Beach RACES Chief Radio Officer Steven Graboff, W6GOS, responded to provide Amateur Radio, cell phone, Red Cross and fire radio communications. Other RACES operators were deployed to the Emergency Operations Center and the Fire Incident Command post at the gas leak scene.

Within 90 minutes the incident was over. The shelter was closed down and the residents went home. No injuries to the firefighters or the RACES volunteers were reported.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm Bruce Tennant., K6PZW, in Los Angeles.

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RACES communications was utilized exclusively throughout this event because the city’s cellular telephone system was not working at the time. (KH6WZ)

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RESCUE RADIO: ARES ASSISTS FOLLOWING MISSISSIPPI TWISTER

The ARRL Letter says that Amateur Radio Emergency Service teams from Jackson and Meridian Mississippi converged on the tiny community of Newton last week. This, to provide emergency communication following a devastating tornado on Thursday, December 19th.

The mid-day twister struck a Wal-Mart filled with holiday shoppers, blowing out the front windows and collapsing part of the roof. The tornado also damaged a furniture factory. According to news accounts, some 70 people were hurt, but no one was killed. Property damage in the town was said to have been widespread, and Governor Ronnie Musgrove has declared a state of emergency in Newton.

According to Mississippi Section Manager Malcolm Keown, W5XX, about a dozen amateurs from the Metro Jackson ARES and the Lauderdale County ARES groups turned out. They took turns supporting relief agencies in Newton which has no ARES organization of its own.

Keown said the ARES teams helped the Red Cross with damage assessment and with shelter communication. Hams also assisted the Salvation Army and the Southern Baptist Men's Kitchen canteen operations as well as making themselves available to local emergency management officials.

In the tornado's immediate aftermath, telephone service and electrical power were out in much of the town of nearly 4000 and in surrounding Newton County. (ARRL)

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RESCUE RADIO: GUAM SUPERTYPHON - THE AFTERMATH
An update on the recovery effort on Guam following a typhoon that hit the island on December 8th. As reported last week, the giant storm packed sustained winds of 160 miles per hour. It damaged much of the island's infrastructure knocking out electrical power and all telephone service. Now the inhabitants of Guam are slowly digging out. We have this report:
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By far the best source of what happened during and after the typhoon has been Duncan Campbell, KF6ILA portable KH2. He lives on Guam and survived the storm. He has also been posting regular updates to the QRZ.com website.
Campbell gives a reason why one key Guam station was off the air. He says that on Wednesday December 11th the high frequency ham station on the Naval Station from where he was operating was ordered to shut down because fuel to run generators that supply electricity was running low. The supply of fuel returned to normal on December 17th. Also, water and power is now back on at his home and there is some telephone service but long distance is still spotty, but life is stating to get back to normal.
One thing KF6ILA does not cover in his QRZ.com posts is why most other Guam

based stations have been off the air since the typhoon hit. But news video from the island pretty well covers that. The pictures show that the devastation was very wide spread. Its more than likely that antennas simply got blown away.
As far as medical services Campbell says that a military Field hospital from San Diego has been set up outside of Guam Memorial Hospital. He says its here to relieve the strain on both of Guam's regular hospitals. Both were damaged in the typhoon.
Finally, Campbell says that that he is now back at work and that there is a lot of post typhoon restoration taking place. That added to the times when the high frequency bands are open to the U-S mainland means that he has not been able to keep scheduled contacts.

Reporting from Auckland New Zealand, I'm Jim Meachen, ZL2BHF, for the Amateur Radio Newsline.
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Another ham on Guam -- Don Palko, N7GZA -- adds to the story. He says that he was with KF6ILA when he was trying to maintain communications with the mainland U-S. He says hat it was Campbell hat brought Guam's one and only 2 meter repeater back on the air. He adds that the American Red Cross is on scene to help with the recovery and they have brought ham radio operators with them. (KF6LIA, N7GZA via QRZ.COM)

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Break 1

Wishing you the very best of seasons greetings from the United States of America. We are the Amateur Radio Newsline, heard on bulletin stations around the world including the 145.600 MHz repeater serving the city of Durban South Africa.

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ENFORCEMENT: OLD PROBLEM - NEW SOLUTION?

The FCC is using a new diplomacy to deal with an old problem. Its telling a repeater owner that he will be held responsible if an unlicensed individual is relayed over his system. Amateur Radio Newsline's David Black, KB4KCH, has the details:

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Wayne Curley, WA6NRB, of Montrose, California finds himself receiving an interesting warning letter from the FCC. Curley operates a popular repeater serving the Los Angeles area. It's on that repeater where the Commission alleges that Richard Burton, the former WB6JAC, has been appearing.

Burton and the FCC have a long history. Burton is a former ham who had his license revoked back in 19-81. The following year, he was convicted on four counts of transmitting without a license and two counts of making obscene transmissions.

That conviction got him sentenced to 8 years in a federal prison. But the judge then suspended all but the first six moths. Burton appealed. The Ninth District Court of Appeals threw out his obscenity convictions but let stand the charges of operating without a license. But it doesn't end there.

The Commission says that Burton transmitted without a license while on probation in 1984, 1990 and again in 1992. After a second conviction, he was fined $2000 and received a year's probation. On his third unlicensed operation conviction, he was sentenced to serve 7 months in prison and do a year on probation.

In 1992, Burton decides to try and get his ham license reinstated. The FCC says no. So he waits four years. In 1996, he passes a Technician class exam. Burton is issued the call sign KG6GKS but that license grant is short lived. As soon as the Commission realizes that the new license has gone to Burton, it sets the license aside, putting Burton off the air again, at least as a Commission licensee.

In may of 2,000, another federal grand jury indicts Burton for operating without a license. He's arrested that August. In January of 2001, Burton agrees to serve three months in jail. He does his prison time at a federal detention center near Fort Worth, Texas. Burton is also placed on one year's probation following his release -- and he's ordered to undergo psychological counseling.

Now, the FCC says that Burton is back on the air again, this time, using Wayne Curley's Los Angeles repeater. And it appears that--this time--the FCC has decided to simply give him no place to operate by holding Curley, as repeater operator, responsible for letting Burton's unlicensed signal to be relayed.

On December 4th, the FCC issued a Warning Notice to Curley. The letter reminds Curley that a repeater licensee is responsible for continuing violations of Commission rules. And it tells Curley that enforcement action against him may result if he fails to prevent violations from occurring over his repeater. The FCC says this could include fines, license suspension or even revocation if Curley fails to act.

But the FCC also gives Curley some advice. It tells him he has several options available to prevent recurring and deliberate violations of FCC rules from taking place on his repeater. This includes locking rules violators out...or using access tones...or even limiting the repeater's operation.

But the Commission also adds a warning. If he is not able to do this, the FCC says, Curley must take his repeater off the air.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I'm David Black, KB4KCH.

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As we go to air its not known what enforcement action the FCC might be planning to take directly against the ex-WB6JAC. (FCC with background from ARNewsline and Westlink Radio Archive)

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ENFORCEMENT: YOU CANT OPERATE - YOU AGREED TO A SUSPENSION

The FCC’s Enforcement Bureau has issued a warning notice to Cornwall Chan, W3CI, of Dresher Pennsylvania regarding operation on a 2 meter repeater back in November. The reason: Chan is not supposed to be on the air.

You may recall that W3CI had forfeited his license back to the Commission for a period of three years. This, in settlement of an earlier enforcement action regarding repeater interference.

Chan is supposed to stay off the air until September of 2003. The FCC says that if he shows up again before that date it will take further enforcement action against him. The FCC adds that in view of the alleged violation of its agreement with Chan that it has now dismissed his request to have his suspension period shortened. (FCC)

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ENFORCEMENT: SORRY -- THATS NOT REPEATER INTERFERENCE

The FCC says that the signal being heard by another Ohio ham cannot be considered as interference because the ham is listening from far to high of a location. Commission spokesman Daryl Duckworth, NN0W, explains the situation and why the agency declined to get involved:

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Duckworth: “The complaint of Kim Lozier, N8ZW, of Portsmith Ohio was dismissed. Lozier complained about what he perceived as interference from the KF8HL repeater. Our letter pointed out that Lozier was listening from an 800 foot altitude and that merely hearing another repeater with no disabling interference was sharing -- not interference, and that frequency coordination is not necessarily exclusive use.”

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In a related matter a petition for reconsideration from the KF8HL repeater group in West Virginia was also dismissed as untimely. That petition had sought reversal of an earlier Enforcement Bureau ruling that KF8HL was an uncoordinated repeater and had the primary responsibility -- but not the sole responsibility to prevent interference to the KC8FKP system located near Portsmith Ohio. (FCC, RAIN)

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CONVENTIONS AND HAMFESTS: RILEY AT FROSTFEST 2003

The FCC’s chief ham radio rules enforcer, Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, will be the keynote speaker at the Richmond Virginia FrostFest 2003. The FrostFest is February 9, 2003 in Richmond, Virginia. The venue is the Showplace center. For information please visit www.frostfest.com on the World Wide Web. (W4PW)

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AWARDS: WILL THERE BE A WAS A-M?

Amateur Radio Newsline’s Paul Courson, WA3VJB, reports that the ARRL has promised to consider a proposal for special recognition of full carrier Amplitude Modulation. This, as part of efforts by promoters of the mode to earn the popular Worked All States or WAS award.

The proposal for a WAS AM was jointly developed by Pete Markavage WA2CWA and Mark Bell, K3ZX. League staffers have told the two that the idea will be considered at an ARRL Membership Services Committee meeting in January.

Several stateside hams have indicated they have achieved or are close to achieving WAS AM by working stations on popular AM gathering points on 160, 75 and 40 meters. More information is on the web at www.amwindow.org (WA3VJB)

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SPECIAL EVENT STATION: A CELEBRATION OF KIDS DAY

Its a special event station to help celebrate one of the most important events in the ham radio calendar. K1D will be on the air through January 5th to celebrate the January 4th Kid's Day operating event. That’s the twice a year outing where hams are encouraged to open their hearts and their stations to youngsters nationwide.

As to K1D, that station is special in several ways. Even the call signs of the people operating are in the spirit of the event -- W1DAD and K1MOM who in real life Peter and Jeanne Schipelliti.

So keep an ear open for K1D and if you work Peter or Jeanne, QSL to 7 Dearborn Ridge Rd, Atkinson, New Hampshire 03811. More on Kids Day is on line at www.arrl.org. (News release)

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BREAK 2

This is ham radio news for today’s radio amateur. From the United States of America, We are the Amateur Radio Newsline with links to the world from our only official website at www.arnewsline.org and being relayed by the volunteer services of the following radio amateur:

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NAMES IN THE NEWS: ZL1AMO CONTINUES HIS RECOVERY

I’m Ken Locke, N8PJN, with an update on the recovery of famed D-X’er Ron Wriight, ZL1AMO.

Judy Roush, AA7UC of the International DX Association has some positive news this week. While Wright is still in medical isolation and continues to fight the E-S-B-L infection, he is improving. Intravenous feeding has been discontinued and ZL1AMO is now eating solid food.

Rousch says that Wright is still weak but he is able to communicate. In fact, he’s doing so with his family using a mobile phone. And Roush says that

Wright is anxious to resume his ham radio activities as soon as he has recovered. In fact, he continues to ask the family if they are receiving e-mails from the amateur radio community.

Meantime, the International DX Association reports that the ZL1AMO Air Ambulance Fund is within $5,000 of reaching its $20,000 goal. The fund was started to assist Wright in paying the fee to bring him home from Fiji where he was when he took ill. Funds received so far have been forwarded to the air ambulance account in New Zealand.

For the Amateur Radio Newsline, I’m Ken Locke, N8PJN. (INDEXA)

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RADIO LAW: HACKER PHONE FREEKS PALO ALTO

The city of East Palo Alto California is stuck with a thirty thousand dollar telephone bill thanks to an alleged hacker. ATT says that the intruders were able to infiltrate the city's phone system last July. Over a five day period numerous long distance calls were placed to the Philippines.

East Palo Alto's typical monthly phone bill is about ten thousand dollars. In July, it was 40-thousand. ATT offered to reduce the total amount by about $10,000 but said that East Palo Alto was responsible for the rest. The city says it has no intention to pay the additional charges. (Published news report)

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EMERGING TECHNOLOGY: MORE PEOPLE CARRYING CELLPHONES THAN EVER BEFORE

A survey by a telecommunications firm reports that over half of the overall nations population living in major metropolitan areas now own mobile phones and subscribe to service. This, according to ongoing measurements performed by Telephia Incorporated in 44 markets.

Telephia says that while the average penetration rate was at 51 percent, a handful of cities had penetration rates in excess of 60 percent. Some of the cities mentioned are in Greenville, South Cariolina with 68 percent, Atlanta with 67% and 63 percent in Orlando, Florida.

Telephia adds that recent results from an Attitude and Behavior Survey found the percentage of frequent wireless callers increased from 38 percent last year to 48 percent this year. Also that overall wireless service satisfaction increased significantly over 2002. (Telephia release)

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INTERNATIONAL-AUSTRALIA: NEW SHORTWAVE CENTER OPENED

A new $6 million dollar radio Voice of International Asia broadcast center has been officially opened on Australia's Sunshine Coast. This, by the man behind the project - multi millionaire Bob Edmiston - of the U-K. The studio originates mainly programming for transmission on shortwave. It uses the former Radio Australia transmitters near Darwin in VK8 and the footprint covers

one-third of the globe. (Q-News)

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INTERNATIONAL - THE AMERICAS: ANOTHER LOOK AT BROADBAND

Proposed U.S. government policies could harm competition in the broadband Internet and affect international e-commerce. This says the Consumer Federation of America could result in reducing market choices and driving up monthly fees for users who want high-speed Internet access.

The FCC ruled in March that cable providers do not have to share their systems or provide open access for competing Internet services. The agency is currently reassessing its line-sharing rules for local-phone giants like Verizon Communications and SBC. (Published reports)

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DX

In D-X, five Chillian stations will be active as CE6M from Mocha Island from January 15th to the 18th. They plan to operate 160 through 10 meters on SSB and CW. Q-S-L to P.O.Box 591, Temuco, Chile. (425 DX)

QRZ-DX reports that someone pirated the call sign 9S1X and used it to operate 80 metres on December 13th. No other information is available at this time. (QRZ-DX)

And, W8GEX and WZ8D will be active as N8Z from St. Croix, in the Virgin Islands through January 8th. They will be at the home of WP2Z and will operate on 6 to 160 meters. QSL direct to WZ8D. (GB2RS)

Lastly, Q-News reports that the P29BPL, the six meter beacon in Papua New Guinea is on the air, but with reduced power and a lower antenna location. This is reported to be a preliminary test to make sure there is no interference to TV receivers located nearby. (Q-News)

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THAT FINAL ITEM: IN MEMORY OF ROGER MC CARTHY KD6CC

And for our last item of the year we have a tribute. A special remembrance of one ham for another. It was our Support Fund Administrator Andy Jarema, N6TCQ, who brought this very special remembrance to our attention. We feel it is fitting that he share it with you as well.

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Normally when you hear my voice its to ask for donations. Not this time. This time I want to share something with you. Actually, its the note that accompanied a donation that we received last June. It was only a few lines but it really tugged at our hearts. See what it does to yours.

The note came from Rob Sweet, KG6DKW, not far from my home in Arcadia California. Here’s what it said:

“Thank you for providing Amateur Radio Newsline. Enclosed you will find a donation in the amount of $50. I would like to make this donation in memory of Silent Key KD6CC, Roger McCarthy, who was killed in a motorcycle accident on May 31st 2002. I never met Roger in real-life, but enjoyed talking with him on the 2 meter band, and exchanging pictures with him on slow-scan TV.”

How do you respond to a note like that? After you wipe away the tears, what do you say?

We talked about it for several months and finally realized that what you do is to help keep Roger McCarthy’s ham radio spirit alive. That’s what Rob Sweet, KG6DKW, wants to do.

So Roger -- this one is for you. This week we dedicate the final Amateur Radio Newsline report of 2002 to the spirit of the ham radio fellowship that you created while you were here among us.

Like Rob, we never met KD6CC, but we wish we had. He sure sound like the kind of ham radio neighbor any of us would be proud to have living next door. May he rest in peace on the other side of the great Ethereal Abyss and may the light of Amateur Radio friendship that he kindled -- live on in 2003 -- and forever.

In Arcadia California, I’m Andy Jarema, N6TCQ.

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Thank you Andy.

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NEWSCAST CLOSE

And for this week, and this year, that’s all from the Amateur Radio Newsline. Our e-mail address is newsline@arnewsline.org. More information is available at Amateur Radio Newsline's(tm) only official website located at www.arnewsline.org. You can also write to us or support us at Amateur Radio Newsline(tm), P.O. Box 660937, Arcadia, California 91066.

For now, with Bill Pasternak, WA6ITF, at the Editors desk, I’m Norm Seeley, KI7UP, saying 73 and we thank you for listening." Amateur Radio Newsline(tm) is Copyright 2002 and 2003. All rights are reserved.

1777. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-28 23:54:40 UTC
From: Paul Burridge <pb@notthisbitosiris1.co.uk>
Message-ID: <82ds0v8bocr8nn2ibj5o7s3hfjcuevid3u@4ax.com>
Source record: 3263
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

On Fri, 27 Dec 2002 04:15:14 GMT, norway@passport.ca (David Snowdon)
opined thusly:

>>I gather from the info given that the two transistors are part of the post
>>processing of the "grid dip". Germanium alloy transistors had Ft's way
>>too low to be usable at 260 MHz. I would guess that your active element
>>would be a 6CW4 or some other such tube. If my guess is correct, then
>>replacing the transistors can be done, but would probably not fix your
>>problem adequately. You would be better off taking the advise given you
>>already from others and try and salvage what you can from the present grid
>>dipper, such as the case, meter, supply, etc.

I shall do so, thanks. Having compared the remarks on this group with
an inspection of the internals leaves me with two inescapable
conclusions: the circuitry and components are *crap*; the hardware is,
OTOH, first class so it's a case of ripping out the guts and starting
again with an up-to-date circuit. Thanks, chaps.
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"What is now proved was once only imagin'd"
- William Blake, 1793

1778. FA: MOTOROLA (MEASUREMENTS-BOONTON) MODEL T-1034-A SIGNAL GENERATOR

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 00:12:23 UTC
From: nbr <nobodyreally@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <vefs0volv9fkeo74cbd317ep6v5uji08m5@4ax.com>
Source record: 3262

FA: MOTOROLA (MEASUREMENTS-BOONTON) MODEL T-1034-A SIGNAL GENERATOR
http://cgi.ebay.com/ws/eBayISAPI.dll?ViewItem&category=296&item=1948536379

1779. Happy New Year

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 02:56:46 UTC
From: ⍰s⍰⍰ <vr2io@hongkong.com>
Message-ID: <aulo9e$1h12@imsp212.netvigator.com>
Source record: 3264

HI OM,
Nice to meet you on this bbs, hope eye ball qso in the nearly future.
73
de vr2io
http://www.vr2ham.com

1780. Help on old callsign.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 06:13:37 UTC
From: manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot
Message-ID: <20021229011337.26958.00000428@mb-fg.aol.com>
Source record: 3265

A freind of mine asked me to look into whether he'd be eligible for the 'instant' General upgrade. He says he's not sure when his original call was issued, but thinks it was very near the cutoff date.... He WAS N8JWJ. Does anyone know how to find out if he's eligible (and prove it?)? He's a tech+, but is sure he took the full General written when that was given for upgrade to Tech in the early 80's. I suppose I'd need an old call book or something to prove it?

1781. Re: Help on old callsign.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 12:03:01 UTC
From: Royce Dean <plumbing101@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <VvBP9.348990$pN3.26960@sccrnsc03>
Source record: 3266

It appears his license was cancelled in 98! Check out:
http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/

"Capn Crunch" <manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot> wrote in message
news:20021229011337.26958.00000428@mb-fg.aol.com...
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1782. Re: Online HAM Radio Practice Exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 12:04:12 UTC
From: Royce Dean <plumbing101@hotmail.com>
Message-ID: <0xBP9.153174$qF3.11377@sccrnsc04>
Source record: 3267

Cuban Pete" <cuba@hotmail.com> wrote in message
news:3rps0v0l0dd1l4duoq2qjs1bic3m0gc4an@4ax.com...
> On Fri, 27 Dec 2002 14:28:50 GMT, "n4rpd" <n4rpd@cox.net> wrote:
>
> >Are you ready to finally get that HAM Radio license that you always
wanted?
> >Maybe you need to upgrade that license?
> >
> >Take a FREE Online HAM Radio practice exam and see if your ready. You
can
> >take the exam as often as you like and best of all, IT'S FREE.
> >
> >www.qsl.net/n4rpd N4RPD's HAM Radio Website has a practice exam for all
the
> >current license classes. A new exam is generated every time you visit
too.
> >
> >Good luck and 73,
> >Rob N4RPD
> >
> Exam? Exam? If you know the right people you don't need an exam, at
> least here in Canada. The service mgr. of a major radio mfr. here just
> got his code/HF licence without knowing a single letter!

That is sad!!

1783. Last - OZ50MHz DX Bulletin !

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 13:21:58 UTC
From: OZ6OM <oz7m@image.dk>
Message-ID: <4FCP9.39$%o2.1574@news.get2net.dk>
Source record: 3268
Cross-posted to: nl.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur,rec.radio.amateur.dx,se.hobby.amatorradio,uk.radio.amateur

Dr OM/YL

This mail to inform interested, that the latest
and LAST edition of the OZ50MHz DX Bulletin,
#02-052 now is uploaded at; http://www.qsl.net/oz6om/

vy 73 de OZ6OM

1784. Re: Help on old callsign.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 15:01:59 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <H7EP9.434$L61.80310@news1.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3270

From the ARRL Page - URL: http://www.arrl.org/news/restructuring/faq.html

4. I got my Technician license under the old system prior to March 21, 1987, and I now hold a Tech Plus license as a result. I understand that I'm now eligible to upgrade to General without having to take an additional examination. Is this correct?

Yes. Holders of a pre-March 21, 1987, Technician class license or CSCE who now hold at least a Technician license may claim credit for a new General class license after April 15, 2000, without additional testing. This is because under the old system, the written examination for Technician and General class was identical; the only difference was that Technicians had to pass a 5 WPM Morse code test, while Generals had to pass a 13 WPM Morse code test. The upgrade is not automatic, however. You will have to apply through a Volunteer Examiner test session, complete Form 605, attach documentary proof of having completed the requirements for a Technician license prior to March 21, 1987, and pay an application fee, if any, to the VEC involved.

MORE INFO there as to presenting proof

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
73 From AC6V, Rod In Oceanside, CA
http://ac6v.com
"Capn Crunch" <manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot> wrote in message
news:20021229011337.26958.00000428@mb-fg.aol.com...
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> prove it?

1785. Re: Help on old callsign.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 15:06:59 UTC
From: "Dee D. Flint" <deehays@qix.net>
Message-ID: <ncEP9.10498$4j5.6538921@newssvr28.news.prodigy.com>
Source record: 3269

"Capn Crunch" <manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot> wrote in message
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> prove it?

The cutoff is March 1987. Yes you need some kind of proof such as a copy of the Tech license itself that he had on or before that time or an old call book. I believe there are sites on the internet that you can order a fax copy of old callbook pages but don't happen to know that they are.

1786. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 15:30:47 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-2912021032350001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3271
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

In article <82ds0v8bocr8nn2ibj5o7s3hfjcuevid3u@4ax.com>,
pb@notthisbit.osiris1.co.uk wrote:

> On Fri, 27 Dec 2002 04:15:14 GMT, norway@passport.ca (David Snowdon)
> opined thusly:
>
> >>I gather from the info given that the two transistors are part of the post
> >>processing of the "grid dip". Germanium alloy transistors had Ft's way
> >>too low to be usable at 260 MHz. I would guess that your active element
> >>would be a 6CW4 or some other such tube. If my guess is correct, then
> >>replacing the transistors can be done, but would probably not fix your
> >>problem adequately. You would be better off taking the advise given you
> >>already from others and try and salvage what you can from the present grid
> >>dipper, such as the case, meter, supply, etc.
>
> I shall do so, thanks. Having compared the remarks on this group with
> an inspection of the internals leaves me with two inescapable
> conclusions: the circuitry and components are *crap*; the hardware is,
> OTOH, first class so it's a case of ripping out the guts and starting
> again with an up-to-date circuit. Thanks, chaps.
> p.

I think that you are absolutely right in your conclusions. However, it is abundently clear that there should be a new and better way of doing this function without too much expense. The original design used an oscillator and it was coupled loosely to an other circuit which should be "tuned" to the same frequency of the measuring instrument. A "dip" in grid current would indicate this resonance and give you an idea as to where the external circuit was tuned. The idea is sound, but I believe the implementation to be faulty in that the circuit be measured would pull the test instrument off freq. rendering the reading off by the length of the pull. If the field being used for measurement could be gauged and the absorbsion of same be measured with no change in its forced frequency, then this would be useful. An instrument to be used to fit all loads doesn't seem very practical here. I believe a design to fit a particular range of loads makes more sense. Okay design engineers, the problem is now crudely stated. I guess now the title of the original post will be very precise, save the reference to the tube element now not very likely to be used in the design.

Happy Thoughts,

Steve WB4CZR

1787. Re: Online HAM Radio Practice Exams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 15:33:54 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-2912021035350001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3272

In article <0xBP9.153174$qF3.11377@sccrnsc04>, "Royce Dean"
<plumbing101@hotmail.com> wrote:

> Cuban Pete" <cuba@hotmail.com> wrote in message
> news:3rps0v0l0dd1l4duoq2qjs1bic3m0gc4an@4ax.com...
> > On Fri, 27 Dec 2002 14:28:50 GMT, "n4rpd" <n4rpd@cox.net> wrote:
> >
> > >Are you ready to finally get that HAM Radio license that you always
> wanted?
> > >Maybe you need to upgrade that license?
> > >
> > >Take a FREE Online HAM Radio practice exam and see if your ready. You
> can
> > >take the exam as often as you like and best of all, IT'S FREE.
> > >
> > >www.qsl.net/n4rpd N4RPD's HAM Radio Website has a practice exam for all
> the
> > >current license classes. A new exam is generated every time you visit
> too.
> > >
> > >Good luck and 73,
> > >Rob N4RPD
> > >
> > Exam? Exam? If you know the right people you don't need an exam, at
> > least here in Canada. The service mgr. of a major radio mfr. here just
> > got his code/HF licence without knowing a single letter!
>
> That is sad!!

Yes, but a fact of life. If people can cheat, some will. I feel sorry
for these losers, but I can't control it and know it.

Steve WB4CZR

1788. Re: Help on old callsign.....

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 15:40:25 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-2912021042060001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3273

In article <ncEP9.10498$4j5.6538921@newssvr28.news.prodigy.com>, "Dee D. Flint" <deehays@qix.net> wrote:

> "Capn Crunch" <manitoumagic@aol.comspamnot> wrote in message
> news:20021229011337.26958.00000428@mb-fg.aol.com...
> > A freind of mine asked me to look into whether he'd be eligible for the
> > 'instant' General upgrade. He says he's not sure when his original call
> was
> > issued, but thinks it was very near the cutoff date.... He WAS N8JWJ.
> Does
> > anyone know how to find out if he's eligible (and prove it?)? He's a
> tech+,
> > but is sure he took the full General written when that was given for
> upgrade to
> > Tech in the early 80's. I suppose I'd need an old call book or something
> to
> > prove it?
>
> The cutoff is March 1987. Yes you need some kind of proof such as a copy of
> the Tech license itself that he had on or before that time or an old call
> book. I believe there are sites on the internet that you can order a fax
> copy of old callbook pages but don't happen to know that they are.

Why would it hurt so badly to take the exam again? Reviewing the theory and regs is not difficult and the 5 wpm test is so simple it's ridiculous. I hate CW and think code is a big waste of time, but that's the hoop you have to hop through and at 5 wpm, you can look up the letters. Can you have a crib sheet for morse with you in the exam? :-)

Steve WB4CZR

1789. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 20:22:53 UTC
From: Mike Monett <z06hgto001@sneakemail.com>
Message-ID: <3E0F599D.13B8@sneakemail.com>
Source record: 3274
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carltons wrote:

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Actually, a GDO is an extremely valuable lab tool, but it not considered
a precision instrument. It only gives indications of where resonances
occur so you can investigate further. One of the significant advantages
is finding unexpected resonances that can affect circuit behavior.

At resonance, the external circuit reflects a resistive component to the
oscillator tank, which reduces the Q but has little effect on the
frequency. Reducing the Q reduces the voltage across the tank, and is
indicated by the dip in the output voltage. Probably the biggest effect
on the tank frequency comes from adding stray capacity to ground and
setting up circulating currents in nearby metal. These effects can tend
to cancel each other, depending on how the coil is wound and its
orientation to the circuit under test.

Once a resonance is located, you can reduce the coupling error to a
minimum to improve the frequency accuracy, and add an external counter
such as the Radio Shack Frequency Counter, P/N 22-305, to eliminate the
dial calibration error.

Adding a headphone to the GDO can help locate parasitic oscillations that are within the frequency range of the GDO. These can be difficult to locate, since they may be above the bandpass of your scope, and the added load of a scope probe can kill the oscillation.

Mike

1790. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-29 21:23:12 UTC
From: John Woodgate <jmw@jmwa.demon.contraspam.yuk>
Message-ID: <ZkmTfCAAf2D+EwYB@jmwa.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 3275
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

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Regards, John Woodgate, OOO - Own Opinions Only. http://www.jmwa.demon.co.uk
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1791. Pennsylvania Hams

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-30 16:23:04 UTC
From: owner@nospam.com
Message-ID: <3e10728b.914163921@news.verizon.net>
Source record: 3276

Emergency Situation Report Group for Pennsylvanians

PA-SitRep is a free, 100% non-commercial,
non-profit, emergency communications related web
site and emergency alert e-mail list. The PA-SitRep
list is free of charge and we currently have 500
subscribers, many of whom monitor the list via SMS
(short message service) capable cell phones.

We are developing a group of PA-SitRep Contacts,
most of whom (27 so far) are Amateur Radio
Operators and we are currently seeking as many
volunteers as possible.

PA-SitRep Contacts submit their contact information
which is posted on the PA-SitRep Contact page
(http://www.pa-sitrep.com/contact.htm) and are
asked to post emergency situation reports from
their area to the PA-SitRep e-mail list we use to
monitor developing situations. If warranted, PA-SitRep
Administrators move the sitreps to our main list of
over 500 subscribers.

Our ultimate goal with PA-SitRep is to build a significant
enough network of Contacts throughout Pennsylvania in
order to provide timely and accurate emergency situation
reports, free of charge, to those subscribed to our e-mail
alert list.

In addition to providing the situation reports for the
PA-SitRep list, our eventual long-term goal is to provide
situation reporting service, free of charge, to any interested
served agencies, much in the same way that SKYWARN
provides weather situation reports for their served
agency, the National Weather Service.

If you're interested in volunteering as a PA-SitRep
Contact, or have any questions regarding PA-SitRep,
please drop me a line at owner@pa-sitrep.com.

Or visit the website to learn more:
http://www.pa-sitrep.com

Thanks. We'll look forward to hearing from you.

-David Kleber, KB3FXI
PA-SitRep List Owner and PA-SitRep.com Founder

www.PA-SitRep.com

1792. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-31 01:26:34 UTC
From: motsteve@attbi.com
Message-ID: <motsteve-3012022028260001@c-66-176-144-254.se.client2.attbi.com>
Source record: 3277
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

In article <ZkmTfCAAf2D+EwYB@jmwa.demon.co.uk>, John Woodgate
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> there is no pulling. The circuits are synchronous.

Very loose I would imagine and probably not a dramatic effect to note.

Steve

1793. Re: Improving a Grid Dip Meter

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-31 03:06:26 UTC
From: la8ak.xnd@online.no
Message-ID: <3e1105c1.85067295@news.online.no>
Source record: 3278
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

I read in sci.electronics.design that motsteve@attbi.com (carltons)
wrote on Tue, 31 Dec 2002 01:26:34 GMT :

>John Woodgate <jmw@jmwa.demon.co.uk> wrote:
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(with attachments for various measurements)
(Feedback Aug p.40)
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Just keep the HP651B for the purpose since it is easier with a
continous variable generator than a thumbweel tuned SG.

Jan-Martin
LA8AK
http://www.laud.no/la6nca/LA8AK/

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Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-31 08:25:06 UTC
From: John Woodgate <jmw@jmwa.demon.contraspam.yuk>
Message-ID: <XnJgvBAiRVE+EwQw@jmwa.demon.co.uk>
Source record: 3280
Cross-posted to: sci.electronics.design,rec.radio.amateur

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No, it doesn't have to be *very* loose, just below critical coupling, so
that there is only on grid-current minimum.
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Message-ID: <3E11BA40.535D@sneakemail.com>
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Very interesting, Jan. Did the authors mention any problems with
reflections on the coax due to the mismatched termination?

Mike

1796. FYI: USA AMATEUR RADIO HISTORY AND LICENSING

Newsgroup: rec.radio.amateur
Date: 2002-12-31 15:51:11 UTC
From: AC6V <ac6v@amsat.org>
Message-ID: <P1jQ9.11204$L61.939993@news1.west.cox.net>
Source record: 3281

USA AMATEUR RADIO HISTORY AND LICENSING
URL: http://ac6v.com/history.htm

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I Doubt, Therefore I Might Be
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http://ac6v.com